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Pakistan battles

THE reports that are trickling out of East Bengal remain *unclear and contradictory*, but they are in any case most disquieting, and it is not even known whether Sheikh Mujib, the East Pakistan leader, has been captured or is free. In *Dacca and* Chittagong there have been battles, but we cannot judge their extent because the Pakistan authorities are determined to pretend that nothing at all has happened, and if there was a *minor rising, it has* been put down and order restored: in any case the Pakistani flags are flying again over public buildings that for a few days flew the brand-new colours of Bangla *Desh*.

The Indian news agencies were not slow to announce major clashes and a successful bid for independence by East Pakistan, partly no doubt as a matter of wishful thinking. If there is a permanent split between the two sections of the Moslem Indian people of Pakistan, both will be weakened, and India's trouble over Kashmir may in due course become easier to solve.

Three dozen press men who were in Dacca when the trouble became serious were unceremoniously locked up in a hotel, and later as ceremoniously flown out of the area, and their films and papers confiscated. The only eyewitness report available so far comes from one man who was able to evade the hotel detention and took the risk of moving through the city by himself.

The situation is similar in this respect to the fighting in Jordan last autumn, when the press were also detained at their hotel, while the terrorists flooded the world with reports of tens of thousands of dead — faithfully reported abroad — while the Jordan government said at intervals that the fighting had ended. Whatever the faults of the press, and they are many, it has been demonstrated once more that, without the random independent eyewitness reports, supplied by the press there is always likely to be one side, if not two, who do not wish all the truth to be known.

East Pakistan has no army of its own, and not even sections of the joint army that could defect to its service. According to Indian reports, some "liberation forces" have been hastily recruited and armed, presumably with Indian aid. They cannot hope to fight Yehya Khan's fairly efficient regular troops, but the latter will not find it easy to maintain their position indefinitely, cut off from their base by the whole of the hostile Indian subcontinent.

From the outset, there was little to link East Pakistan to the West except the Moslem religion of the great majority of the inhabitants of both sections, for the West is rich compared to the overcrowded and impoverished East, and their physical separation has not permitted either population shifts or other economic adjustments that might have been valuable for both sides.

West Pakistan, finally, remained distant and detached last year when the East suffered its disastrous floods and great loss of life, and left rescue and aid missions mainly to the Western nations, with a callousness that was conspicuous at the time. Pakistani authorities claimed that India was preventing aid from being flown across its territory, but this was not proved. A rich brother who does not help in need may look worse than none.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

Lieutenant William Calley, Jr., was convicted in Fort Benning, Georgia, last night of murdering 23 people in the South Vietnamese village of My Lai during a massacre of civilians by American soldiers. Calley, 27, who had been charged with murdering 102 people, faces a possible death sentence. The jury is expected to announce sentence today.

Jordan denies terrorist claims clashes continue

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

Egypt yesterday lifted its eight-month-old ban on terrorist broadcasts from Cairo as Jordan faced an increasingly hostile Arab reaction to its confrontation with the terrorist establishment. Jordan's Minister Wasfi e-Tel declared yesterday that the terrorist "security problem" in the northern town of Irbid was uprooted "forever." He told the parliament that the government was now coping with a number of terrorist pockets in Amman.

The parliament expressed full support to King Hussein's regime.

In an official statement issued in Cairo, the Egyptian government called upon all of the Arab states to support the terrorists in their fight against the Jordanian authorities. Apparently referring to King Hussein, the statement said that there was still somebody in Jordan who could stop what it termed as the "massacres of the Palestinians."

The Egyptian decision to allow the terrorists to resume their broadcasts was apparently linked to growing Arab pressure to keep the terrorist establishment alive. The terrorist broadcasts from Cairo were suspended last July under the orders of Egypt's late President Nasser after the broadcasts attacked him for his acceptance of the Rogers peace initiative.

'LIQUIDATION CONSPIRACY'

In their resumed broadcasts on middle and short-wave channels at 6.30 last night, the terrorists said they were facing a "liquidation conspiracy" by the Jordanian authorities.

Introducing themselves as "The Voice of the Palestine Revolution," the terrorists claimed that their men were fighting the Jordanians in Irbid and Amman for the fourth day running. They said their casualties totalled some 200 killed and 400 wounded. In Irbid, they said the Jordanian soldiers were raping Palestinian women en masse. The broadcasts were repeated by Cairo and Damascus radios.

Premier e-Tel termed the terrorist claims as lies. Referring to the terrorist broadcasts as the "croaking of frogs," the tough-minded Premier said his government was prepared to face all challenges on both the terrorist and the Arab levels.

AMMAN RAPS GADDAFI

Amman Radio last night launched a violent attack on Libya's leader, Mu'ammer al-Gaddafi, who on Sunday night called upon the Jordanian army to topple King Hussein. It called the Libyan leader "a clown."

Meanwhile, in contrast to terrorist claims, the Jordanian government reasserted that populated areas, including Irbid and Amman, were quiet. In fact, other Arab radios which played up the terrorist version, failed to give any hard facts on the reported fighting and could only say "signs of tension" prevailed in Irbid and Amman.

Nevertheless, the Jordanian authorities yesterday accused the terrorists of blowing up two culverts and ambushing an army patrol north of Amman. An official statement also said that the terrorists had raided a workers' camp near e-Salt and blown up a public works tractor.

However, terrorist statements, issued in Cairo and Damascus, insisted fighting was going on in both Amman and Irbid, and that the Jordanian army continued to pound refugee camps, with heavy artillery.

The Palestinian Red Crescent also yesterday urged the International Red Cross and Jordanian physicians to intervene immediately "to stop the massacres of Palestinians in Jordan." It said that the Jordanian authorities prevented Palestinian Red Crescent ambulances from reaching Irbid "where wounded and dead were scattered in the streets."

Terrorist killed, Israeli boy and soldier hit in clashes

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — A terrorist was killed at about 3 p.m. yesterday in a clash between an Israeli army patrol and a band of terrorists west of Moshav Margaliot in northern Galilee.

The terrorists opened bazooka and light arms fire from Lebanese territory as the patrol was moving west of Margaliot. The patrol returned the fire and pursued the band. One terrorist was killed and four others succeeded in escaping in Lebanese territory, carrying a wounded terrorist.

An 11-year-old boy from Moshav Margaliot, who was in the moshav orchards at that time, suffered light injuries from terrorist fire. The boy received first aid treatment on the spot and was not hospitalized.

Earlier, a soldier was injured in an attack by a terrorist ambush on an army patrol, reported from the Rapid enclave, the central sector of the Golan Heights. The attack was at 10 a.m. yesterday.

The patrol returned the fire and succeeded in extricating itself.

The marauders had crossed into Israel from Syrian territory.

Military observers, commenting yesterday on the increased frequency of terrorist attacks reported during the past fortnight, stressed the more serious nature of these attacks. They believe that Israel is about to experience an upsurge of terrorism along the borders, particularly in the northern sectors.

The experts base their prediction on improved weather conditions, amongst other things. Winter cold and rains had a damping influence on terrorist operations. They also believe that the terrorists are determined to reassert themselves and make their continued existence "felt" by Israel.

Another reason could be that Syria may have given the terrorists the green light, removing some of the restrictions they imposed on the a-Saeka gangs.

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Soviet Party congress today; Peking not even invited

MOSCOW (AP). — More than 5,000 Soviet factory workers, farmers and Communist Party officials convene in the Kremlin today to launch Moscow's 24th party congress, but for the first time since Mao Tse-tung took power in China in 1949, Peking was not even invited.

Chinese diplomats revealed the snub last night at a reception in Moscow, dismissing it as "natural, since our two parties have no relations."

The congress is expected to endorse the nation's domestic and foreign policy course, probably striving to isolate China further in the world Communist movement.

It also will approve the country's economic guidelines and elect party leaders.

HIGH OFFICIALS ARRIVE

High officials of the Hungarian, North Korean, Yugoslav and Cuban Communist parties have arrived in Moscow for the congress, Tass reported yesterday.

Most top leaders of East European countries were expected to reach Moscow yesterday.

Polish Communist Party chief Edward Gierek, writing in "Pravda" yesterday, accused China of continuing its splitting activity against the Soviet Union.

The article, appearing only a day before the 24th Soviet Communist Party Congress opens, was the first phrased in such bitter language to be printed here for a long time.

Observers are still waiting to see how far the party congress will go in condemning Chinese policies, but Mr. Gierek's article could be seen as an indication it will take a tough line. He wrote that recent attacks on the Soviet Party and its allies showed Chinese leaders "have absolutely no intention of departing from their splitting positions."

"In the final analysis, these actions are spearheaded first of all against the vital interests of the Communist Party of China and the People's Republic of China, and doom their policy to still greater isolation among the forces of Socialism," Mr. Gierek wrote. "The members of the Polish United Workers' (Communist) Party respond to these splitting actions by strengthening their solidarity with the Soviet Communists."

By preserving the leading role of the Communist Party — a phrase frequently used by Soviet leaders — it had been possible to halt "negative factors which arose in our country as a result of the violation in practice of the correct general line of the Polish United Workers' Party," Gierek concluded.

Italian delegation bearing plea for Soviet Jews

ROME (AP). — An Italian Communist Party delegation flew to Moscow yesterday with a petition to intercede on behalf of Jews imprisoned in the Soviet Union, during the Soviet Party Congress opening today.

A delegation of Italian Jews gave the petition to the Italian Communist leaders as they prepared to fly to Moscow. The delegation carried placards urging the Soviet Communist Congress to change Soviet policy towards Jews living in Russia.

U.S. wary about reports of more Soviet arms

WASHINGTON (AP). — The State Department yesterday reaffirmed the U.S. position that it wants to maintain the balance of power in the Middle East.

The question came up at the daily briefing of Press Officer Charles Bray, who was flooded with questions about reported stepped-up Soviet arms shipments for Egypt. He was extremely cautious in replying to questions, saying merely that, as the State Department has said before, Soviet shipments for Egypt are "a continuing matter." But he added that "we are fully aware at all times what is going on."

Mr. Bray declined to say, however, whether any amphibious war material was delivered to Egypt that would indicate preparations for crossing the Suez Canal.

There were reports on several earlier occasions since last summer that Egypt had already received such amphibious material.

Mr. Bray had a terse "no comment" when asked whether the Israeli request, made several months ago, for another reported $500m. U.S. aid was decided upon.

Purpose questioned

Jerusalem Post Military Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Senator Henry Jackson's announcement on Sunday that another massive Soviet military airlift is now under way, if correct, is more likely to be linked to Egyptian President Sadat's reference to the imminent "battle of destiny" in Khartoum last weekend than as a Russian reward for maintaining the peace.

According to the experts' opinion here, Egyptian arsenals are already chock-full of military weapons of all types. There would be no point in ordering additional weapons, post-haste, only to have them burden the Egyptian army with storage and maintenance problems — unless of course, they were of an entirely new category which the Egyptian command expects to use in the predictable future.

Mujib's forces report pitched battles in Dacca

NEW DELHI. — The Press Trust of India news agency (PTI) reported last night that Sheikh Mujibur Rahman's "liberation army" and West Pakistan troops were fighting pitched battles in Dacca.

But the official Pakistan radio said all was calm in East Pakistan with the curfew relaxed and life returning to normal in the capital.

The clandestine Free Bangla Desh (Bengali Nation) radio, monitored in Shillong, said thousands of "freedom fighters" had seized Dacca radio after fierce fighting.

In direct conflict with the official Pakistan radio, PTI said highly reliable accounts received at Gauhati near the Pakistan border reported pitched battles in progress in Dacca. Both PTI and the government-controlled All-India Radio said Dacca radio had gone off the air suddenly and had not resumed its programmes.

The reports quoted by PTI also said that hand-to-hand fighting was going on in Chittagong between the army and Sheikh Mujibur's supporters. The "liberation army" controlled cantonment areas of Comilla and Jessore, the report said. PTI quoted authoritative sources in Calcutta as saying that two squadrons of planes and more tanks had arrived to reinforce the hard-pressed army in East Pakistan.

All-India Radio said paratroops had been used for the first time to root out the five clandestine radio stations operated by the Sheikh's supporters. It did not say if the action had been successful.

In contrast to these reports, the official Pakistan radio said the curfew had been relaxed for 12 hours in Dacca yesterday and life was returning to normal. Government offices and many business houses and shops were open, the radio said. Police had reported for duty and vehicles were on the streets. Two English-language newspapers had reappeared and banks had reopened.

REPORT 'COMPLETE CALM'

Martial law authorities had reported complete calm in most major towns and the countryside, the radio said.

No confirmation was available of these reports from any independent source.

Indian official sources said more than 1,000 East Pakistanis, most of them Moslems, had already crossed the border into India and that relief supplies were being rushed to them.

Meanwhile, official Indian sources said India is studying the question of raising the East Pakistan situation in the U.N. Security Council. While no final decision has been taken, the government has been in touch with Secretary-General U Thant and with ambassadors here of some Security Council nations, the sources said.

(Reuter, AP)

2 Soviet Jewish leaders arrested

NEW YORK (ENA). — Two Jews in the Ural city of Sverdlovsk were arrested by Soviet authorities recently after they sent letters to Premier Alexei Kosygin and party chief Leonid Brezhnev protesting the impending trials of Jews in Leningrad and Riga, reliable sources reported here.

The arrests took place on March 17. The men were identified as Valery Kukui and Yuli Kosharovski. The latter was sentenced to 15 days in the workhouse on charges of "hooliganism." Mr. Kukui was also sentenced to a jail term of unknown duration.

Both men reportedly were leaders of a group of nine Jews in Sverdlovsk who have been protesting the Leningrad trial. The sources said that the homes of each member of the group were searched by Soviet police.

According to the same sources, Jews from Riga and from Vilna and Kovno, Lithuania, have been barred from coming to Moscow and possibly other Soviet cities. The sources said the ban was imposed to prevent Jewish activists from staging demonstrations in the Soviet capital during the Communist Party congress which opens there today.

Jarring sees Riad in surprise Paris talks

Foreign Minister Mahmoud Riad of Egypt (right) with his French counterpart, Maurice Schumann, at the Quai d'Orsay in Paris yesterday. (AP radiophoto)

Mission suspended, Cairo claims

By JACK MAURICE, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — U.N. envoy Gunnar Jarring conferred with Egyptian Foreign Minister Mahmoud Riad in a surprise session in Paris yesterday after an unscheduled trip from Moscow where he had only just resumed his post as Swedish Ambassador.

Both men maintained silence on the two-hour meeting, but UPI quoted an Egyptian spokesman as saying Dr. Jarring had given up his peace mission until Israel responds to his latest proposals.

Dr. Jarring and Mr. Riad met at the Hotel George V shortly after a 90-minute discussion of the Middle East position by the Egyptian Minister and his French counterpart, Maurice Schumann.

Mr. Riad arrived in Paris Sunday for a three-day conference with Egyptian envoys to all the principal European capitals. Mohammed Hassan Zayyat, Egypt's representative at the U.N. and Ashraf Ghorbal, who is responsible for his country's interests in Washington, are also attending.

Zayyat said after the Riad-Jarring meeting that Dr. Jarring "felt that he was going around in a vicious circle" and decided to return to Moscow. "But he will go back tomorrow if he receives an answer from Israel," Zayyat said, according to UPI.

NO MEETING SCHEDULED

So far there is no audience scheduled for Mr. Riad at the Elysée Palace with President Georges Pompidou. But following the unexpected arrival here of Mr. Jarring a meeting between Mr. Riad and the French chief of state would no longer be a surprise.

Observers here believe Egypt is about to publish new proposals for a peace settlement and have persuaded Dr. Jarring to come to Paris in order to give their suggestions a bigger propaganda impact.

It is believed that Mr. Riad intends to hold a press conference before he leaves Paris. President Pompidou, who offered Paris hospitality to the Egyptian envoys for their talks here, certainly favours the latest mission from Cairo. Mr. Pompidou confirmed here last Saturday that France is sticking to its pro-Arab policy.

SHROUDED IN SECRECY

The arrival of Dr. Jarring in Paris at a time when his task as mediator had generally been considered as suspended, was shrouded in mystery. Some diplomatic sources believe he flew in on Sunday, only an hour or two after Mr. Riad, and not Monday, as French officials are claiming.

When he left the Quai d'Orsay Monday morning after spending 90 minutes in Mr. Schumann's office, Mr. Riad obviously knew that a meeting with Dr. Jarring was in the offing. He said: "I hope very much that there will be an opportunity for me to meet Mr. Jarring."

The Egyptian minister predicted that the Middle East situation would deteriorate unless Israel adopted a more pliant policy. He claimed that moves towards peace negotiations had reached an impasse because of what he termed as Israeli stubbornness.

Israeli diplomats could not be contacted for comment on the Jarring-Riad session on Monday evening. But many observers believed that the Swedish U.N. envoy would probably meet Israeli Ambassador Asher Ben-Natan during his visit to Paris.

Mr. Schumann declined to answer reporters who asked him whether he would be meeting Mr. Jarring.

Jerusalem sees frantic bid to resume talks

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

U.N. envoy Gunnar Jarring's sudden departure from Moscow to Paris to meet Egyptian Foreign Minister Mahmoud Riad came as a surprise to Jerusalem, and was seen as an urgent effort on his part to reactivate his mission. The fact that Egyptian Embassy sources in Paris said after the meeting that Dr. Jarring had suspended his mission temporarily, pending receipt of Israel's reply, was viewed as an attempt to exert further pressure on Israel to respond to the U.N. envoy's initiative of February 8, suggesting Israel withdraw from all of Sinai as a pre-condition to further peace negotiations.

It was stressed in Jerusalem that it was in fact Egypt's failure so far to reply to Israel's note of February 26 which has caused the latest impasse in the Jarring Mission. Israel proposed in that note that both parties should now "pursue their negotiations in a detailed and concrete manner without prior conditions so as to cover all points listed in their respective documents with a view to concluding a peace agreement." The Israel Government has stated on a number of occasions that this note by Israel also represents a reply to Dr. Jarring's note of February 8.

JARRING DISAPPOINTED

Dr. Jarring is reported to be disappointed that he has been completely left out of Washington's recent contacts with Jerusalem and Cairo over various proposals that could lead to the reopening of the Suez Canal as a partial settlement. Israel has made it a point that such a partial agreement not fall within the framework of the U.N. envoy's mandate which derives from the November, 1967 Security Council resolution. Jerusalem would also welcome more direct contacts with Cairo on the Canal issue in order to get clear commitments from Egypt regarding the necessary military and security arrangements such a venture would entail.

Proposals for the possible reopening of the international waterway are still reported to be high on the agenda of current Israel-U.S. contacts. Israel insists that the ending of the state of belligerency and free navigation for Israel ships and cargoes be among the main conditions for such agreement. This issue is also one of the main topics discussed by Mahmoud Riad during his current West European tour.

Egyptian air force said ready for 'full-scale war'

CAIRO (AP). — A reconstructed, reinforced Egyptian air force is ready to face any eventuality, including renewal of full-scale war with Israel, the semi-official "Al Ahram" reported yesterday.

Echoing a theme recurrent in the Cairo press since the cease-fire ended on March 7, "Al Ahram" said the air force has completed its preparations for resumed fighting or "any attempt by the enemy to raise doubts about its fighting ability."

Stories of the armed forces "state of maximum alert" have been frequently printed in Cairo newspapers. Western reports of Egyptian defences bolstered by new Russian planes, weapons and equipment have been given prominent space without any Egyptian official confirmation.

"Al Ahram" said air force training has been going on "day and night, using up-to-date technological and scientific methods in differing weather and various circumstances." It said the air force had "benefited greatly from the cease-fire period and pilot combat abilities have been improved."

"All (Egyptian) fighters know exactly and clearly how fierce the next battle with the enemy would be," the paper said.

Rio rainstorm kills 36

RIO DE JANEIRO (Reuter). — Fierce rainstorms, accompanied by high winds, hit this city during the night and municipal authorities said yesterday that at least 36 people died.

Last night's storm was the second deluge to hit Rio de Janeiro over the past month.

Torrential rainstorms which struck the city at the end of February killed 130 and left 40,000 homeless. Similar downpours killed hundreds here in 1966 and 1967.

The wind and rain started Sunday evening. The two rivers in the neighborhood of the huge Maracana soccer stadium quickly overflowed their banks, trapping thousands of people attending a football match.

Hundreds of spectators' cars were swept away by fast-flowing floodwaters in the surrounding streets, eyewitnesses said. Whole trees were uprooted by the winds while others, with trunks 15 cms. in diameter, were snapped off like match-sticks.

Many parts of Rio were a shambles yesterday with mud and stones piled high, impeding traffic and making thousands late for work.

Israelis trounce Thais, 4-1, in Bangkok play

BANGKOK (AP). — Israel defeated Thailand, 4-1, in the fourth Asian Champion Clubs football tournament here yesterday. The half-time score was 4-0 in favour of the Israelis.

Thailand's only goal came in the second half.

In another match, the Iraqi Police team disposed of India, 6-1.

Premier to head Labour Party group to Socialist Int'l

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Reporter

Prime Minister Golda Meir is to head the Labour Party delegation to the annual conference of the Socialist International, due to take place in Helsinki at the end of May. The conference is expected to be attended by Chancellor Willy Brandt, former British Premier Harold Wilson, Swedish Prime Minister Olof Palme and many other Socialist leaders from Europe and Asia.

Mrs. Meir's address at the Congress is expected to centre on the situation in the Middle East and on the prospects for peace.

The Premier also headed the Israeli delegation to the Socialist International conference in Eastbourne, England, in June 1969. Last year's conference in Vienna was attended by Deputy Premier Yigal Allon.

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Social and Personal

The Finnish Ambassador, Mr. Algar Von Heiroth, yesterday called on Absorption Minister Natan Peled.

The Jerusalem Arabic-language daily, "Al-Anba", last night inaugurated its new offices at Romema with a reception attended by Police Minister Shlomo Hillel; Mayor Teddy Kollek; the Prime Minister's Adviser on Arab Affairs, Mr. Shmuel Toledano and scores of guests, including many from Judea and Samaria.

Rabbi Yisrael Meir Lau was inducted into the office of Chief Rabbi of Tel Aviv's Northern District. Tel Aviv Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef and Welfare Minister Michael Hazani were present at the ceremony, which took place on Sunday evening at the Tiferet Zvi Synagogue.

Advocate Tuvia Goldman and "Ma'ariv" economic commentator Ariel Weinstein will take part in this week's Jerusalem Vocal Newspaper, 8.30 p.m. at Beit Ha'am. The moderator will be "Al Hamishmar" parliamentary writer Yitzhak Shor.

Ferger Zeiger, a 69-year-old West German, is taken away by police in La Paz, Bolivia, after he tried to attack German Foreign Minister Walter Scheel on Sunday. Angry about Bonn's rapprochement with the Communists, Zeiger charged at Mr. Scheel shouting, "Treason against Germany." (AP radiophoto)

M.-E. 'interest' in SST plans

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — A Middle East businessman has expressed interest in acquiring the uncompleted American supersonic airliner project, Secretary of Transportation John Volpe said yesterday.

He said it was one of two overseas offers — the other was from Japan — indicating interest in taking over the technology and expertise that have gone into the Boeing supersonic project. Congress voted 51-46 last Wednesday to stop future government funds for the plane.

Mr. Volpe said he could not disclose where the Middle East offer came from, but said it was from a man representing certain interests, "and we do not know who those interests are." Other sources said the inquiry from the Middle East was more an expression of interest, than a firm offer, and that no money was mentioned.

Israel loses opening volleyball match

SINT NIKLAAS, Belgium (AP). — Bulgaria beat Israel 3-0 (15-8, 15-6 15-6) and Belgium beat West Germany 3-0 (16-14 15-0 15-8) on the opening day of the volleyball tournament marking the 25th anniversary of the Belgian Federation here Sunday.

Sierra Leone commander arrested for coup plot

FREETOWN, Sierra Leone (AP). — The Sierra Leone armed forces commander, Brigadier John Bangurah, has been arrested for plotting the abortive *coup* attempt March 23, it was officially announced yesterday.

Arrested with him were six other army officers, two majors, one captain, two lieutenants and a sergeant. No charges have yet been preferred against them but army sources said they will be court martialled.

Some 200 Guinean soldiers are now on Sierra Leone soil helping to crush any opposition to the government of Prime Minister Siaka Stevens.

The first unit of 50 was lowered into the city centre by a Guinean military helicopter minutes after Mr. Stevens announced, in a nationwide broadcast, his government had signed a defence agreement with President Sekou Toure.

The soldiers, armed with Russian AK-47 submachine guns, immediately were formed into a strong guard force around the residence of the Prime Minister.

Kuwait recognizes Peking Gov't

HONGKONG (Reuter). — Kuwait yesterday became the seventh country to recognize China in less than six months when it announced its decision to establish diplomatic links at ambassadorial level.

Canada recognised the Peking Government last October, and was swiftly followed by Italy, Chile, Nigeria, Ethiopia and Equatorial Guinea. A total of 59 nations now recognize China.

A joint communique released simultaneously by the Kuwait Government and the New China News Agency said the two countries would exchange ambassadors "within the shortest possible period."

The communique said the step was taken in view of China's support for the "Arab struggle against imperialism and Zionism," and Kuwait's decision to recognize Peking as "the sole legal government of China."

Meanwhile, the government of Taiwan announced it had severed relations with Kuwait in protest over the move, which it described as "most unfriendly."

The joint communique linking China and Kuwait was signed in Kuwait on March 22 during talks on the development of relations between the two countries.

2 Lebanese held as 'Israel spies'

BEIRUT (Reuter). — The Lebanese military investigating magistrate, George Ghanem, yesterday issued warrants for the arrest of two Lebanese on charges of spying for Israel.

The two men — 23-year-old Maroun Tawile and 27-year-old Zuheir Zahreddin — were arrested last week in the border area and referred to the military investigating magistrate yesterday.

The charges carry the death penalty. Judicial sources said the men were arrested on returning from Israeli territory, where they had gone last week.

Eban stresses importance of Sharm e-Sheikh

NEW YORK (AP). — Israeli Foreign Minister Abba Eban yesterday stressed the importance of Sharm e-Sheikh for Israel's defence, supply routes and relations with East African and Asian countries.

"Sharm e-Sheikh means peace or war for Israel," said Mr. Eban on his final day in New York before returning to Israel via London last night. In a broadcast interview, Mr. Eban contended that the Golan Heights and East Jerusalem are also needed for Israel's security. He also said these three territories were only a partial list of areas vital to Israel defences.

Mr. Eban rejected the idea of an international peacekeeping force in the Middle East — even with American troops — because, he said, "an international force failed in 1967."

"There is no country in the world," he said, that would remain in the Middle East as part of an international force if Egypt wanted the troops withdrawn.

'NOT AN INCH' MOTION BY CAIRO ASSEMBLY

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

The Egyptian National Assembly yesterday issued a resolution expressing the opposition of the Egyptian people to demilitarizing Sinai. It stressed that proposals to this effect are aimed at ending Egyptian sovereignty over the peninsula.

The resolution gave no indication who had put forward the proposal.

The same resolution expressed the support of "the whole people" for President Anwar Sadat's determination not to cede an inch of Arab land or bargain over the rights of the Palestinian people.

While emphasizing U.S. failure to exert pressure on Israel, the National Assembly supported the Egyptian Government's efforts to win greater understanding of the fact that the Arabs "have no alternative to a battle of liberation."

Ex-soldiers want immigrant rights

TEL AVIV. — A group called the "Action Committee of Discharged Soldiers" has threatened to wage a telephone "nuisance campaign" to Government officials to back up their demands for better treatment.

The group numbers about 300 members, according to the spokesman, Noah Blum, 22, of Rehovot. They are demanding that discharged soldiers get the same rights as new immigrants.

"We are practically new immigrants when we come back from Sinai," Mr. Blum told the press yesterday.

He further demanded that the Government help ex-servicemen find housing near their places of work or study and that the Licensing Bureau speed up their requested drivers' licences.

74% demand Sharm be held

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — An overwhelming majority backs "the stand of Defence Minister Moshe Dayan that Israel must hold on to Sharm e-Sheikh" in order to protect its elementary security interests.

This emerges from the latest poll of Public Opinion Research of Israel Ltd. — Pori, which showed that 74 per cent of the Israelis queried on this point concurred with Mr. Dayan. Only eight per cent favoured giving up Sharm e-Sheikh. One per cent were ready to condition the Sharm e-Sheikh issue on the outcome of negotiations, while 16 per cent had no clear opinion.

Mr. Dayan's biggest support (80 per cent) came from sabras aged between 18-29 with university degrees.

Brown 'ready to play M.-E. role'

LONDON (Reuter). — Lord George-Brown, former Labour Foreign Secretary, said here yesterday he was still prepared to play a role towards a Middle East peace settlement.

The Labour peer, speaking at a press conference to launch his political memoirs published yesterday, said he had managed to maintain friends in Israel and the Arab world and would continue to see them from time to time.

He said: "I am prepared to play a role... but I am not setting myself up as an out-of-office Gunnar Jarring."

Lord George-Brown has a long-standing interest in the Middle East having held talks with the late Egyptian President Nasser, Israeli Premier Golda Meir, Jordan's King Hussein and other leaders on his several trips there as Foreign Secretary and private citizen.

The ex-Foreign Secretary said he believed he had another book in him and "would not mind later on filling in on this one," on expanding in another book some of the issues raised in the memoirs.

Three die in N.Y. hotel blaze; 4th in Atlantic City

CANANDAIGUA, New York (AP). — An intense fire, with flames that could be seen for miles, raced through the 117-year-old Canandaigua Inn early yesterday, leaving at least three persons dead, seven missing and sending 14 persons to hospitals.

Firemen searching the smouldering rubble found two charred bodies buried in the wreckage. A third man died of a heart attack after fleeing the burning hotel in the early morning hours.

A major fire swept through a residential area of Atlantic City, New Jersey, yesterday, destroying at least 18 houses and several boats before it was brought under control. Authorities, who evacuated the area, said there were no deaths and only a few injuries. Several firemen were treated at local hospitals for smoke inhalation.

Police immediately began investigating the possibility of arson. They said that four major fires had broken out in Atlantic City in nine hours. One police report said a suspect was seen in a car at the site of the latest blaze.

Israel wins one, loses one in Nagoya ping-pong

NAGOYA (Reuter). — Israel beat el Salvador and lost to the reigning champions, Japan, in the table tennis championships here. The winners in both encounters won all five games.

Two of the top three women's seeded teams — Russia, the titleholders, and Rumania — suffered shock defeats, while China's men had an unexpected fight on their hands to overcome France in the world table tennis championships here yesterday.

The Russian women, without European champion Zoya Rudnova, were stunned by a 3-2 defeat at the hands of underrated England, which may just be enough to end their hopes of retaining the Corbillon cup.

Rumania, losing finalists to the Russians two years ago, came up against an aggressive South Korean team and crashed, 3-1.

In the men's team competition for the Swaythling cup all the top-seeded nations came through their opening matches in the round-robin second stage comfortably — except for former champions China, who were hard-pressed to beat France, 5-3.

33 U.S. troops killed as Hanoi sappers raid base

SAIGON (AP). — North Vietnamese sappers rampaged through a U.S. artillery base in darkness on Sunday and in one hour inflicted what is possibly the highest and most costly death toll for any single attack on a U.S. installation in the Indo China war.

The U.S. command said 33 Americans were killed and 76 wounded in the attack on the base, 80 kms. south of Danang, more U.S. deaths than have occurred in entire weeks this year.

Field reports placed the death toll even higher, and one officer said that many of the battalion's officers were killed or wounded. The field reports said the sappers hit the command bunker and apparently disabled its communications.

Officers in the field admitted they were taken by surprise and the sappers carried out "a real professional job."

Advices from the field also said the base came under shelling attack on Monday. The attack was described as light.

STEPPED-UP ACTIVITY

The attack was part of stepped-up Communist actions up and down the country, most of them concentrated in the northernmost provinces of South Vietnam in the Danang region. U.S. officers said the North Vietnamese and Vietcong were taking advantage of the dark of the moon when there is virtually no illumination to move into position for the attacks.

North Vietnamese and Vietcong gunners early yesterday shelled Danang air base and Chu Lai, to the south, the headquarters of the U.S. Americal Division whose troops were manning the artillery base that was partially overrun. Twenty-five rockets, each 45 kgs., hit the Danang air base and the nearby Marble Mountain air facility. Field reports said a few planes and helicopters were damaged, and a few Americans wounded at Danang. There were no casulties or damage reported in the Chu Lai attack.

WANTS WITHDRAWAL

In Washington on Sunday, Senate Democratic Party leader Mike Mansfield said the time has come "for drastic action" to withdraw U.S. troops from Indo-China, and that he favours a resolution calling for a U.S. pullout by the end of 1971.

Sen. Mansfield said that while he did not now favour cutting off all U.S. funds under the same time limit, "I've been giving that a good deal of consideration."

He said he felt President Nixon had made good his pledge to de-escalate the war, but added he was "disturbed" at provisions for any residual U.S. force in Vietnam. "I don't think we ought to have any kind of residual force there," he said.

Sen. Mansfield was speaking on NBC's "Meet the Press" television programme.

Tito confers with Pope Paul

Pope Paul talks with Yugoslav President Tito and his wife during their visit in Vatican City. (AP radiophoto)

VATICAN CITY (AP). — Wearing a top hat and tails, President Tito of Yugoslavia went to the Vatican yesterday and conferred with Pope Paul VI for more than an hour. Both expressed concern about conflicts in Indochina and the Middle East.

Tito is the first Communist chief of state to pay an official visit to the Roman Catholic Pontiff. The Pope, according to a Vatican communique, told Tito he would keep trying to foster "a negotiated and fair solution of the conflicts in the Middle East and Indochina, which would give tranquility to those populations."

Tito told the Pope Yugoslavia is committed to seeking peace in the Middle East in order to eliminate "the consequences of the war of aggression of 1967."

33 missing after U.S. ship sinks

PORTSMOUTH, Virginia (AP). — Thirty-three of 44 crewmen were missing yesterday from the tanker Texaco Oklahoma, which broke in two in heavy Atlantic seas — 200 kms. northeast of Cape Hatteras, North Carolina.

Eleven men of the tanker's crew were rescued from a life raft by a passing freighter, which headed for New York as the Coast Guard resumed a search this morning for possible survivors.

Most of the missing crewmen were from the area of Port Arthur, Texas. The tanker was loaded with 220,000 barrels of oil.

The Coast Guard here said the cutter Escanaba and an aircraft from its air station at Elizabeth City, North Carolina, were dispatched yesterday morning to search the area where the Texaco Oklahoma went down.

Close vote in Honduras

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras (Reuter). — Dr. Ramon Ernesto Cruz, 68-year-old international lawyer, was yesterday elected president of Honduras for the next six years after a closely-fought contest in Sunday's nationwide polling.

With only a handful of results still to come in from remote provincial areas, Dr. Cruz's National party had a narrow but unbeatable lead over the opposition liberals and their candidate, banker-landowner Jorge Bueso Arias.

But the triumph, declared by the National Electoral Council, was modified by the failure of almost half the 900,000 electorate to vote, the highest proportion of abstentionism ever recorded in a Honduran general elections. It was believed to be a protest against domination by the "big parties."

Eyewitness tells of wholesale death in Dacca

Pakistanis stand amid ruins of their homes, destroyed by artillery on March 27 when West Pakistani troops attacked strongholds of Sheikh Mujibur Rahman's independence movement in Dacca. (AP radiophoto)

East Pakistanis with harpoons in their hands demonstrate in Dacca in favour of independence. This photo was taken on March 23 by a Japanese "Asahi Shimbusi" correspondent, who managed to smuggle it out before being expelled by Pakistani authorities last Sunday. (AP radiophoto)

Editor's note: Associated Press photographer Michel Laurent was in Dacca, the capital of East Pakistan, when the Pakistani Army cracked down on the Bengali independence movement. Newsmen were confined to their hotel, but Mr. Laurent evaded the ban and toured devastated areas of the city. Here is his story:

DACCA, East Pakistan (AP). — The Pakistani Army attacked the Bengali independence movement in Dacca without warning Thursday night and took the people by surprise.

The Army's American M-24 tanks, artillery and infantry destroyed large parts of East Pakistan's largest city and provincial capital. The chief targets were the university, the populous Old City where Sheik Mujibur Rahman and his Awami League were strongest, and the industrial areas on the outskirts of the city of 1.5 million people.

7,000 SAID KILLED

Perhaps 7,000 persons were killed in the provincial capital alone.

Touring the still burning battle areas Saturday and Sunday, one found the burned bodies of some students still in their dormitory beds. The tanks had made direct hits on the dormitories.

A mass grave had been hastily filled in at the Jaggernath College: 200 students were reported killed in Iqbal Hall. About 20 bodies were still lying on the ground and in the dormitories. Troops reportedly fired bazookas into the Medical College Hospital but the casualty toll there was not known.

Thousands fled the city with only what they could carry. Some pushed carts loaded with food and clothes. Only a few persons returned to government jobs despite the orders of the military regime.

Resistance to the army was reported negligible. The people are obeying military orders to turn in weapons. The Pakistan national flag is again flying from most government buildings. It had been replaced in the past 10 days by the green, red and yellow Bangla Desh — Bengali Nation — flag of independence.

In the Old City, elderly men and women poked among the smoldering ruins of their homes. Army trucks and armoured cars patrolled the almost deserted streets. Cars were pasted with Pakistan flags to ward off fire from army patrols.

The government went to extreme lengths to prevent a large contingent of foreign newsmen from witnessing the violence. Thirty-five foreign correspondents were detained in the Intercontinental Hotel and only this photographer and a British correspondent evaded the army cordon.

At the Dacca Airport troops frisked me and seized my film and notes. At Karachi, police forced me to strip, my luggage was searched again and unexposed film was seized.

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The crisis of democracy in Turkey

Why the generals moved

By METIN MUNIR

ANKARA (Ofns). — THE intervention by the Turkish armed forces to oust conservative Prime Minister Süleyman Demirel and instal Dr. Nihat Erim in his place emphasises that if democracy is unable to bring speedy development to an underdeveloped country, its chances of survival will diminish considerably.

Turkey has had a democratic form of government for nearly 50 years. But with average *per capita* national income of £125 and a literacy rate of 50 per cent, it is the most backward country in Europe. Democratic rights in Turkey have reached a high devel of liberalism. But the record of social and economic development has faltered so terribly that there are still Turkish villages where people live in caves and the nearest doctor is three days away by donkey through roadless mountains.

For the past 20 years the 35 million people of Turkey have doggedly voted conservative parties to power. The Democrates came to power in 1950. They grew intolerably corrupt and despotic over the years and in 1960 were removed by a military *coup d'état*. But the armed forces turned the administration over to the civilians 17 months later, after preparing a fairly liberal Constitution which allowed all left-wing views short of Communism free expression.

The Turkish electorate voted in the Justice Party, which was the spiritual heir of the Democrats. Economic achievements during the years of the Justice Party rule were much more significant than the Democrat party's and Mr. Demirel, the party leader, was a cleverer and more competent man than Mr. Adnan Menderes, the Democrat party Premier who was hanged along with two of his Ministers after the 1930 *coup*.

But still, in 1970 a university graduate working in a bank was earning only about £27 a month, education could not be provided for all the 2,500,000 children of primary school age, over 50 per cent of the major cities were slum-dwellers, and nearly half of the country did not have any health service to speak of.

The silent and conservative majority passed its days thanking God that at least things were no worse, but in the cities a very vocal minority of intellectuals, students, workers, trade unionists and journalists shouted for reform. Mainly left wing, they ranged from the social democrats around the opposition Republican People's Party to urban guerrillas, whose Turkish People's Liberation Army was responsible for the kidnapping of four American airmen in Ankara this month.

The extreme Left, which won great support in Turkey's universities, became involved in violence and has been responsible for more than 100 incidents of bombings and terrorism in less than six months. In its clashes with extreme right-wing factions nearly 30 people have been killed in the past two years.

The real crisis in Turkey started in 1970, when the ruling Justice Party split over personal rivalries and faltered under the attacks of the opposition, especially of the extreme left-wingers outside Parliament. At the end of last year Turkish armed forces, which command great power and respect in Turkey, started issuing warnings which culminated in this month's near-*coup*.

In their memorandum to President Sunay, the Chief of the General Staff, General Memduh Tagmac, and the Service commanders accused the Government and all members of parliament of upholding views and indulging in activities which "pushed the country into anarchy, fratricide and social and economic unrest, made the public lose hope of reaching a level of contemporary civilisation, failed to realise reforms stipulated in the Constitution and placed the future of the Republic of Turkey in grave danger."

The memorandum was hardly democratic by international standards but the army has a unique position in Turkish politics. In the words of President Sunay, a former Chief of Staff who occupies a neutral position under the Constitution but who has been acting with the generals: "Democracy is not an end in itself," but is an instrument to implement reforms.

The armed forces moved to force parliament to use this instrument and made it clear that if parliament did not use the opportunity, the generals would move in to seize power.

The future of democracy in Turkey now depends on the ability of the bickering and strictly divided parties to work in a national coalition which would implement the reforms that the armed forces requested. Past records of cooperation between the parties are not impressive. What is more, at least six of Turkey's nine political parties would oppose any radical reforms, especially land reform. To say the least, things are going to be much more difficult to get back to normal than they were during the first army intervention in 1960.

Apprentice bullfighter German Uruena is gored by his first bull during a bullfight in Madrid on Sunday. He was not hurt.

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YESTERDAY'S AP RADIOPHOTOS

Comedian Bob Hope squares off with world heavyweight champion Joe Frazier during a rehearsal for a television show in Philadelphia on Sunday. Hope, a former boxer, used to be known as "Packy East."

Labour Party convention opens on Sunday

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Political Correspondent

THE forthcoming Labour Party Convention may well come to be known as the "Egypt" Convention, according to Deputy Transport Minister Gad Ya'acobi. He believes the issues involved in the Jarring talks and Egypt, will most probably be central to the discussions of the supreme policy-making body of the country's dominant political force. The convention is due to open on Sunday.

Mr. Ya'acobi, formerly a deputy secretary of the Labour party, remains very much involved in party politics and is still a member of its top policy-making forums, including the Alignment Executive.

By the time of the convention, the Labour Party will be obliged for the first time to crystallize its concepts and programmes in various areas, something which was not properly attended to in the past because the Party was in a period of coalescence.

Personal basis

The Deputy Minister says that the elections certainly did not reinforce the former party divisions as had been claimed in some quarters. The elections were held on a personal basis and not according to the old divisions. At least 30 per cent of the membership never belonged to any of the three parties that merged to form the Labour Party.

He believes the recent party elections were unsatisfactory in several aspects. The branches were not confronted by any real issues on which to vote, nor was there sufficient acquaintance between the voters and the candidates. The new executive forums to be chosen by the Convention, Mr. Ya'acobi believes, should be composed according to regional divisions as well as on a personal basis. He noted that the Convention steering committee was chosen according to the old pre-merger parties, which may have been unavoidable. Mr. Ya'acobi was in charge of organizing working parties, which will submit reports to the Convention to serve as a basis for discussions and for the draft proposals of the steering committee. They include the team led by Party Secretary-General Arye Eliav on "Judaism and Zionism," "Economic Policy" led by Mr. Ya'acobi, "Religion and the State" — Mr. Israel Yeshayahu, M.K., "Education" — Deputy Education Minister Aharon Yadlin, "Social Welfare" — National Insurance Institute Director Israel Katz, and "Histadrut Policy" — Secretary-General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon. Other teams also at work were: "Political Structure of Israel" — Moshe Carmel M.K.; "Constitution for Israel" — Haim Zadok M.K. and "Mass Media" — Hanna Zemer — and these would be given more time to submit their reports.

Major issues

He was convinced that the major political issues would be one of the focal points on the agenda of the Labour Party and most likely of the Convention itself. He did not believe that the adoption of basic decisions required new Knesset elections. Mr. Ya'acobi was of the opinion that the representatives of the Alignment in the Knesset and the Government were given a clear mandate by the electorate. This mandate was based on two main points: No budging from the present ceasefire lines before peace, and — within the framework of a peace settlement — striving for strategic security borders that "were significantly defined in the 'Oral Law' which the Alignment adopted on the eve of the elections."

Sharm e-Sheikh is essential to Israel

IN a letter to "The Times," which appeared on March 25, an Oxford professor of History, Mr. A.L. Goodhart, analyses why possession of Sharm e-Sheikh is necessary for Israel.

Sir, Your leading article entitled "Mrs. Meir sticks to her terms" (March 17) is of great importance because you state that, "In fact, for a variety of reasons, the present argument boils down to the future of Sharm e-Sheikh. If some arrangement could be made there, which would satisfy both Egypt and Israel, it is conceivable that arrangements might be reached covering the rest of the occupied territories."

This gives rise to the all-important question: Why do Israel and Egypt place so much importance on a small fort at the foot of the Sinai Peninsula? If Israel could achieve peace by agreeing to turn over this fort to an international force, including American troops, she would be able to reduce the vast sums she now has to spend on maintaining her armed forces. There must be some reason why she feels that she cannot agree to this.

Threat to Israel

The answer may be found by anyone who flies over Sharm e-Sheikh and the surrounding country. He will see that this small fort is a major threat to Israel because its guns, facing east, can close the Tiran Strait to all ships going to Eilat at the head of the Gulf of Akaba and also to the new oil pipe line across Israeli territory. On the other hand, none of the guns at Sharm will ever point west towards Egypt as it is inconceivable that, even if Israel were to attack Egypt, it would do so from a place that is more than 100 miles across a sand desert before Egyptian territory proper can be reached. Air photographs of Sharm will, therefore, make it clear that the fort is of major importance to the Russians and Egyptians only if they intend to embark on an aggressive war in the future. It is of no importance to them from the defensive standpoint. It was for this reason that General Dayan said that possession of Sharm was more important than a peace settlement, because without the possession of Sharm a peace settlement would be of little or no value.

Secretary of State Rogers argues that Israel can find sufficient protection if an international security force made up of forces of the four powers were recognized in a final peace settlement. There are two possible answers to this. The first is that past history has shown that similar agreements are not enforceable. As to whether the British Government would be prepared to accept such a duty is doubtful; it is even more doubtful whether the U.S. would pledge itself to such a course.

The second answer is that even if an international force were stationed at Sharm, a glance at the map shows that this would give only a limited protection, as it would be possible for the Russians and the Egyptians to move their guns a few miles north of Sharm along the coast and block all shipping from there. The international force stationed at Sharm would be powerless in such circumstances.

A few photographs of this desert country would be of great help in understanding why Israel does not believe that the suggested agreement is "entirely different from the 1957 armistice arrangements" which Mr. Rogers seems to recognize played a disastrous part in bringing about the 1967 war. There can be no adequate reason why Egypt has placed such great emphasis on retaking Sharm if it were not that it must play an essential part in any future attack on Israel.

Terrorists go 'underground'

By HENRIETTA BOAS

AMSTERDAM. — Fatah leader Yasser Arafat said in a television interview shown here on March 19th that the Arab terrorists had decided to change their tactics "because of recent developments." He would not say what form these new tactics would take, but indicated that a large part of the struggle would now be "conducted underground." He added that the basic strategy of the terrorists remained unchanged.

The struggle to liberate "the whole of Palestine" would continue even if the terrorists could not get the support of all the Arab countries.

Arafat, who was interviewed in Beirut, emphatically rejected any suggestion of a Palestinian Arab state on the West Bank. He said the Palestinians would not be satisfied with anything less than a "democratic Palestinian state in the whole of Palestine."

In his view the Arab governments would not be able to reach an agreement with Israel "because we still have our arms and thousands of guns. We have decided to carry on our struggle until victory, perhaps not in our own time, but in that of our children."

Readers' letters

INVITATION TO MR. SHAREF

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — During the last few days, Housing Minister Zeev Sharef told Israel Broadcasting Services audiences over TV and radio that no agricultural land had been included in the 14,000 dunams of land requisitioned in the Jerusalem area.

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GIDEON WEIGERT

Jerusalem, February 25.

The Ministry of Housing replies: Most of the land expropriated in Jerusalem is stony ground, neither settled nor worked. Arab property includes in all no more than 20 houses. Expropriated land belonging to Jews includes the homes of 350 families and the business premises of another 300 families.

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YEHUDA LISH
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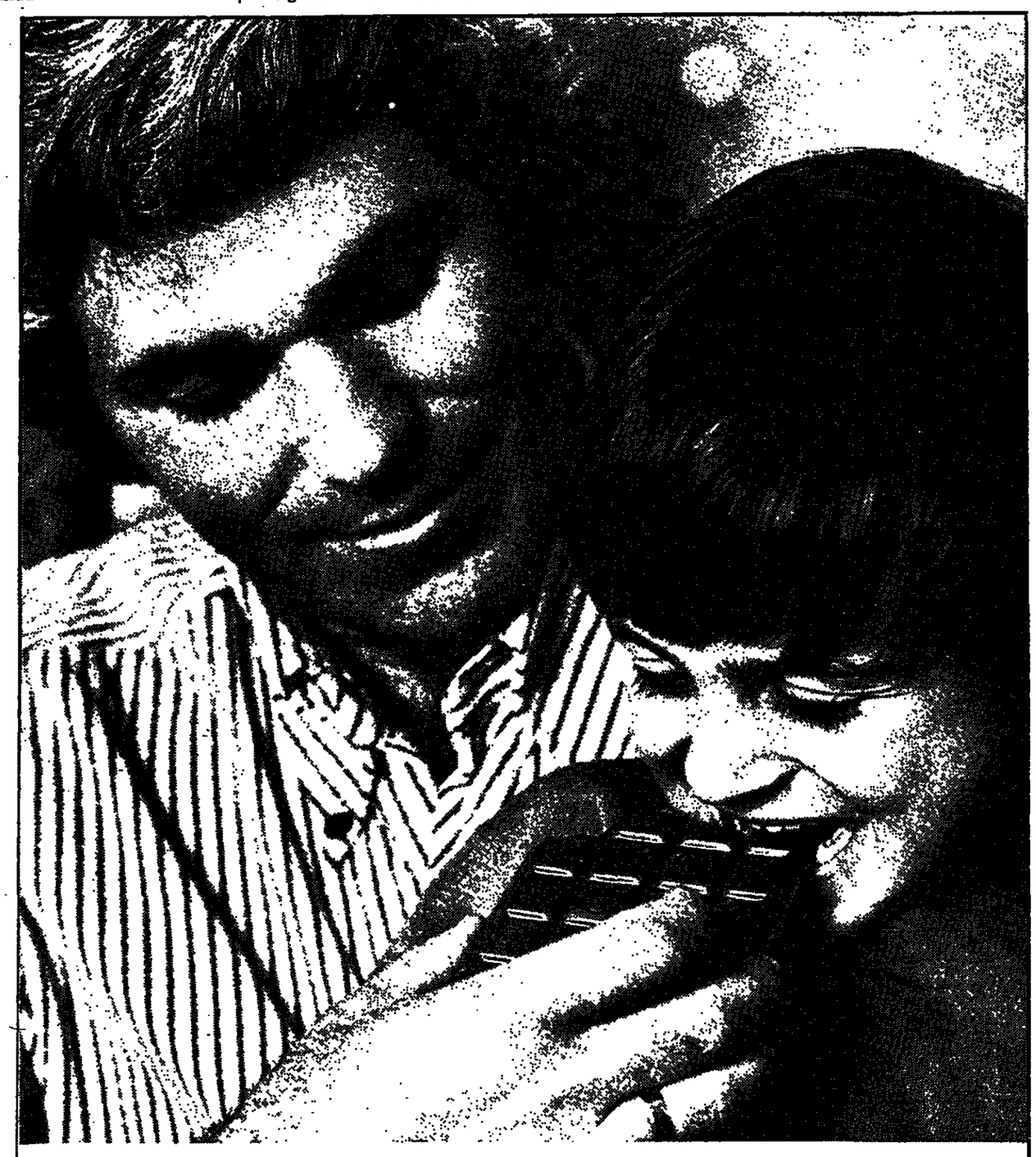

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Business and Finance

Mart problems for Israel

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The admission of Britain, Denmark and Norway to the Common Market will cause a grave export problem to Israel, especially in citrus and plywood, Mr. Adin Talbar, assisant director-general of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, said last week. He was addressing a luncheon meeting of the Association of Bi-National Chambers of Commerce with Israel, given for foreign commercial attaches. Officials from 12 countries attended; and another two countries were represented by their local representatives.

Mr. Talbar pointed out that if these three countries join the EEC they will automatically raise the import tariffs on citrus and plywood. Another serious problem was the possibility of restrictions on the export of textiles to the U.S., *he said.*

Speaking on other economic problems facing Israel during the current year, he said that there was a tendency of foreign countries to consider Israel a "developed" country. However, roughly half the population of Israel belonged to the "developing" category, and these persons could not be considered "developed" for another decade or more, he said.

Moreover, Israel, as a small country with little resources in fuel or minerals, and which was already exploiting its water resources to the utmost, *needed "any trade* preference given to any other country. We need all possible trade advantages," he said.

Commenting on the current situation, he said that Israel would increase its industrial exports by 20 per cent (from $605m. in 1970 to $740m. in 1971), despite the fact that it was a country "fighting a war, absorbing immigrants, and building up its industrial potentials." During the next few years, up to 1975, industrial production for exports would increase steadily, if not by the same amount as in 1971.

He noted that one export item steadily increasing in importance was electronics. If exports in this field had stood at $1m. in 1966, and at $17m. in 1970, they were expected to reach $100m. in 1975.

Solel Boneh may build in Brazil

LOD AIRPORT. — Solel Boneh is considering extending its overseas operations into Brazil, following the success of the company's construction projects in other parts of South America. This was announced by Solel Boneh's General Manager, Mr. Zvi Rechter, on his return from a tour of South America on Friday.

Among the contracts which the company is considering in Brazil is one for a deep-water harbour.

At present, Solel Boneh is carrying out projects worth some $30m. in South America, most of them in Argentina. The construction of *1,300 housing units for civil servants* in Buenos Aires will be completed this year, and the company is about to start on another project of 1,600 units. A 400-unit project in Caracas, Venezuela, worth $12m., is nearing completion. Mr. Rechter said he hoped better credit facilities would be made available by the Government for construction work undertaken by his company abroad.

BUSINESS LETTER

PLASTIC BAG HAZARDS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — While I am not sure that I agree on social or economic grounds with the dairymen currently waging a demonstration campaign against further distribution of milk in plastic bags, I do support them in this fight for quite a different reason. It should be remembered that in this increasingly plasticized and packaged world these polymers, generally known as "plastics" are not bio-degradable. These materials have their place in a contemporary society, but one must be aware of their environmental hazard. As their use in consumer goods, convenience goods, increases, then the problem of the *disposal of these non-degradable* solid wastes will become more overwhelming. The only suitable means for destroying these plastics is by open burning, a very unsatisfactory method. Since they are not degradable in the soil, as are other organic materials, their incorporation into landfill will become increasingly precarious.

The real question to me is this: must Israel make all its own environmental mistakes in the questionable name of social progress? Is it not possible to profit from the experience of others and not introduce additional hazards into our already overloaded environment? Return-deposit bottles are not that much of a domestic or distribution problem. Until such time as a bio-degradable plastic is produced that is also compatible with public health regulations, the introduction of additional plastics into the throw-away market should be opposed.

DEXTER S. GOLDMAN
Haifa, March 24.

INSURANCE LIABILITY

In the Supreme Court sitting as Court of Civil Appeals
Before Justices Landau, Cohn and Kister.

Ya'acov Levi, Appellant, v. 1. Fuad Dager; 2. Caledonian Insurance Co., Respondents (C.A. 265/70).

The Supreme Court, by majority decision, dismissed an appeal against a judgment of the Haifa District Court, delivered on April 3, 1970 (in CC. 662/68).

The Jerusalem Post LAW REPORT
Edited by Doris Lankin

TUESDAY, MARCH 30, 1971

Insurance agent acts for insured when completing proposal form

The appellant insured his motorcar with the Caledonian Insurance Company through their agent, Fuad Dager, of Nazareth. When his car was damaged in an accident he claimed indemnity from his insurance company, which rejected his claim on the grounds that he had only a third party risks insurance policy and not a comprehensive insurance policy.

Mr. Levi challenged this contention in the Haifa District Court, claiming that he had asked Mr. Dager for a comprehensive insurance policy and that he had, in fact, received a temporary covering note for such a policy. His claim was dismissed, however, by the District Court.

In the appeal to the Supreme Court Mr. S. Toister appeared for the appellant and Mr. Mishkin for the Caledonian Insurance Company, the second respondents.

Judgment

Justice Landau, who delivered the majority opinion of the Supreme Court, Justice Kister concurring, held that even if the appellant's contention with regard to the comprehensive policy were correct, the District Court had nevertheless *been entitled to dismiss his claim,* as there was at least one incorrect answer to an important question in the insurance proposal form, signed by the appellant. As to the appellant's argument, he continued, that the inexactitude resulted from an error committed by *the first respondent,* who had filled in the form for him as it was in English, with which he (the appellant) was not conversant, it could not avail him. For even if it were to be presumed that there had in fact been an error on the part of the first respondent and *that the appellant had not intend*ed giving false information, the fact remained that the proposal form did contain inaccurate information, that the appellant had signed it, and that even if he did not understand the content thereof, this did not exempt him from personal liability *vis-a-vis* the insurance company. All he could do, therefore, was to claim indemnity from the agent — the first respondent — who, insofar as filling in the proposal form was concerned, had acted as his agent and not as the agent of the insurance company (see also 1902, 1 K.B. 516; 1929, 2 K.B. 336), and C.A. 14/67, 1. P.D. 21/337).

Justice Cohn

In his dissenting judgment, Justice Cohn first discussed the proposal form which the appellant had signed, concluding that the fact that the answer to one of the questions on the form had been filled-in in the wrong space did not transform the proposal form from a true one into a false one. Furthermore, he continued, he agreed with the appellant that the insurance agent who had filled the form in incorrectly should be deemed to be the insurance company's agent.

In explaining this latter conclusion, Justice Cohn quoted from English and Israeli jurisprudence to show that opinions were divided on the subject of whether an insurance agent who fills in a proposal form on behalf of a client is the agent of the client or of the insurance company, with the attitude in Israel being more variegated, and hence more progressive, than that in England. Because of this division of opinion, he held, the question cannot be considered to be a purely legal one, but must be decided in each individual case, according to the special facts and circumstances.

If, therefore, an insurance company should succeed in proving that a proposal form omits an important detail or contains false particulars, then the onus would pass to the insured person to prove that the agent who filled in the form was not (or not only) his agent but the agent of the company. If he should succeed in proving this to the extent required in civil proceedings, then the knowledge of the agent would be deemed to be the knowledge of the insurance company, and the company would not be allowed to evade its liabilities under the policy.

In the circumstances of the case under consideration, held Justice Cohn, he was of the opinion that the appellant had succeeded in proving that the first respondent had acted on behalf of the company when he filled in the proposal form. For if the company provides its agents with proposal forms written in English only, knowing full well that that is not the language of Israel, then it must know that it should also provide translators; and if it relies on its agents to translate the forms and to fill them in, in English, for their non-English-speaking clients, then the agents must be deemed to be acting on behalf of the company.

The first respondent must, therefore, held Justice Cohn, be deemed to have been the agent of the second respondent for purposes of filling in the proposal form, and the second respondents must consequently be deemed to have known that the relevant information was inserted in the wrong place on the form, by the first respondent.

However, held Justice Cohn further, as he had already pointed out, the question of whether the agent had acted on behalf of the company or of the appellant was, in fact, irrelevant, as even if he had acted only for the appellant, the error in the proposal form could not be considered to be a false statement or the concealment of important facts.

In conclusion, Justice Cohn went on to consider whether the appellant might not in fact have been covered by a comprehensive insurance policy, and decided that as the proposal form made mention *of a comprehensive policy and the* first respondent had been entitled on the strength thereof to issue a covering note for a comprehensive policy, therefore both the appellant and the agent were entitled, in the absence of any notice to the contrary on the part of the company, *to assume that the* company had accepted the proposal and insured the appellant's car under a comprehensive policy. For it is anomalous, to say the least, he added, that the second respondent should be so didactic about a mistaken entry in the proposal form (*such as the first respondent* had made) because this mistake could be to their advantage and yet at the same time regard themselves at liberty to ignore the request of the insured person to be covered by a comprehensive policy, as contained in that self-same proposal form, and behave as though this request had never existed.

In his opinion, therefore, held Justice Cohn, the appeal should be allowed.

Appeal dismissed by majority decision, with IL500 costs.

Decision given on February 28, 1971. *DORIS LANKIN*

George Hardy, rail veteran, dies in Haifa

George D. Hardy, the first Traffic Manager of the Israel Railways, died in Haifa last week, after a prolonged illness.

G.D. (Yaacov) Hardy was born in London in 1894 and came to this country with Allenby's army. He joined the P.M.R. (Palestine Military Railways) and later on the P.R. (Palestine Railways). He gained vast experience in railway work and served for many years in Kantara, Lydda and Haifa as *District Traffic Superintendent.*

The Englishman who came here to conquer the land was conquered by it and shared its fate. He married Lea Tobias and of his sons Yosef was until lately Chairman of the Yessud Hama'ala Local Council, and Yonatan, who followed in his father's footsteps and became a railwayman (besides being the trainer of the Maccabi Haifa football team). His first-born son Yehuda (Jimmy) died of a heart attack a few years ago whilst in Spain.

Towards the end of the Mandate, Hardy was called upon by the British authorities to leave the country, or at least to move to the residential area that was reserved for Britons, but he refused as he considered himself part of the Jewish Yishuv.

Traffic Manager

When the State of Israel came into being, he was appointed Traffic Manager of the Israel Railways, and with his wide experience and expertise, raised a generation of new railwaymen and greatly contributed to the speedy development *of the young railways.*

George Hardy was straightforward, steadfast and modest. His "Yes" could be relied upon in all circumstances; his "No" was absolute. He would be at work daily long before his subordinates and in spite of his high standing in the management he remained modest. All those who came in contact with him — from the station staff to his colleagues in management — learned something from him and derived benefit from his wide experience. He retired from the service some 10 years ago, after 40 years on the Railways.

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Limits imposed on Histadrut Controller

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV.— The Histadrut Central Committee will be empowered to "black out" certain parts of the reports of the Histadrut Controller — parts which, if published, could harm the financial interests of the firms involved. A regulation providing for this was among several which the Committee passed this week.

The regulations, which further prevent the Controller from inspecing in detail the operations of firms controlled in some other way (by banks, for instance), must still be approved by the Histadrut Council.

The new rules, according to Secretary-General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon, should not be seen as "cropping the authority of the Controller, but merely as limiting him in certain fields so as to ensure more interaction between the various control institutions in the Histadrut."

Management of water resources

Special to The Jerusalem Post

HAIFA. — A special international postgraduate course in management of water resources opened at the Technion last week, with 18 participants from 10 countries attending.

The participants in the course come from Mexico, Turkey, Thailand, Iran, Venezuela, the Philippines, Guyana, Nigeria, Uganda and Columbia.

The three month course is organized by the Technion, Unesco, the Israel National Committee for the International Hydrological Decade, and the International Cooperation Division in the Ministry for Foreign Affairs.

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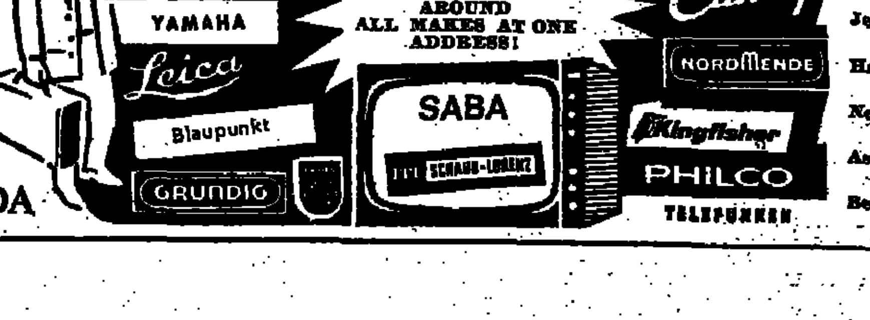

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The past six months have seen a new awareness on the part of both politicians and the Israel public of the problem of poverty. The Histadrut Executive, for the first time ever, held a full-fledged discussion on the problem of poverty earlier this month. A draft Labour Party social policy has been drawn up by M.K.s Shoshanna Arbeli, Mordechai Ben-Porat and Gad Ya'acobi, and National Insurance director Yisrael Katz, to be presented to the party convention next Sunday. The main ideas of the report were given support last week by the Knesset Labour Committee.

THE RIGHT TO A FAIR INCOME

THE most significant aspect of the Labour Party report on social policy is that poverty is defined in terms of inequality — existing in a country which has always aspired to be an egalitarian society.

Last December, the National Insurance Institute issued a report showing that 20 per cent of Israel's population lives below the poverty line (fixed at about IL100 per person per month). Last week the Knesset Labour Committee, whose chairman is Mrs. Shoshanna Arbeli, issued a statement pointing out that the income gap was widening, despite increased welfare payments in 1970.

The special Labour Party committee urges an all-out attempt to reduce this gap. Since this must involve huge sums of money and manpower, the decision must be a political one. Accelerated economic growth is important, says the report, but a fairer distribution of national income can be achieved only by intervention at state level.

What does "poor" mean? According to the Labour Party report, poverty is expressed by the following: low income, lack of property, lack of basic services such as health or housing, lack of education and a consequent loss of social and educational mobility, lack of participation in administrative or political decision-making or low social or community status. Unlike the word "poor" which implies a single social group, this list would seem to cut across large areas of the population.

Hence, the report urges more direct investment in social services as opposed to "the tendency to increase private consumption at the expense of the development of these services."

Income, housing and education must be guaranteed, urges the report. It calls for a guaranteed minimum income whose real value would be maintained. The Labour Party committee rejects an idea put forward by Histadrut Secretary-General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon and others — that of "negative income tax," which means skimming off more from higher income brackets and channelling these funds to families whose income is below the taxable minimum. Such an arrangement, notes the committee, might create a disincentive to work on the part of lower-income groups.

In line with the aim of decreasing the income gap, the report calls for a reform in the tax system. It recommends that social payments such as pensions and the proposed disability allowance be made taxable, so that such payments would decrease as the income of the family or individual increased.

"A working man," states the report," has the right to an income which will maintain a small family above the poverty line." Large families (four or more children) would require supplements to their guaranteed income, with increased allowances for children (the sums graduated upwards to the age of 18). Special emphasis is placed on the need for additional cash grants where there are teenage children in secondary school.

School fees

Children in large low-income families are exempt from secondary school tuition fees but must pay up to IL600 a year extra on such expenses as uniforms, equipment, books, meals and fares. Many experts have linked these expenses to the high secondary school drop-out rate of children from poor families. (It might be noted, though the report does not do so, that a monthly cash allowance would also assuage the parents' feeling that teenage children ought to be out working and contributing to the family income.) The report also lists the following as living in "relative financial deprivation" — the aged, low wage earners, various welfare groups such as the sick and disabled, and one-parent families (nearly always a mother who is head of the household).

There are some services in existence, set up by private and public agencies, which help a small number of people in these categories on a charitable or semi-charitable basis. The report recommends that these services be expanded and taken over by the State or by municipal authorities.

Among these services are "Meals on Wheels" which bring a hot meal every day to the homes of several hundred aged persons living alone, home help for sick mothers of large families or for disabled peope; hot school meals; and free holidays for mothers of large families.

There are still cases, in Jerusalem at least, where school principals withdraw school meals as a sanction against parents who have failed to pay the annual municipal school tax.

The thrust of the report is that the citizen is entitled to social security (which is channelled through the National Insurance Institute) as opposed to welfare. The aim is "to reduce the welfare population to an absolute minimum." It would mean that the aged, the disabled, one-parent and large families would be covered by the National Insurance Institute, that their rights would be protected by law, and that they would no longer be subject to the vagaries of ministerial or municipal budgets. The Welfare Ministry would then deal with special groups whose problems were not necessarily financial, such as the blind or the retarded, or children in need of foster homes or adoption.

Housing

Some people believe housing is the largest single social problem in Israel today. The Knesset Labour Committee reported last week that 33,000 families live in substandard housing (defined in terms of density as less than 9 sq.m. per person). The committee adds that 25 per cent of all families of Afro-Asian origin have three beds per room.

The Labour Party report calls for the establishment of required norms in Government housing, fixing a minimum amount of apartment space per member of the family. The report urges that priority in Government housing assistance be given to young couples, army veterans, large families, slum dwellers, and to development towns. Housing assistance, it states, should be given only to persons whose income is not above a certain level. Where new immigrants have financial means, they should not automatically be eligible for housing aid. Neither should new immigrants necessarily be given new houses; they can be helped to acquire existing flats.

The report recommends aid not only towards purchase-housing but for rental and key-money flats as well.

The Labour Party report does not have a great deal to say about education. However, the Knesset Labour Committee's report, issued last week, comments sharply:

"Most slum areas have no community centres, youth clubs, cultural and sports facilities or all-day nurseries. They are in fact social deserts which force the younger generation to look for entertainment outside educational frameworks."

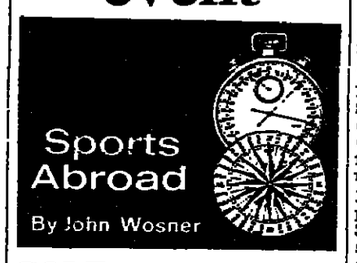
The Labour Committee calls for a Committee composed of the Ministers of Finance, Education, Labour, Housing, Absorption and Welfare to work out a five-year social policy.

The Labour report emphasizes kindergartens and elementary education as opposed to present Education Ministry policy which allocates 50 per cent of the Ministry's budget to secondary and higher education. The Committee recommends that kindergarten from age three be made compulsory in all slum areas. This facility exists in all development towns and villages but it is not yet compulsory in the urban slum concentrations of the three main cities. The Education Ministry, the Committee says, "must find the resources" to improve elementary education. Among the measures recommended are a longer school day for more schools in the country, remedial classes, individual coaching, summer camps, and training better teachers, "particularly in border and immigrant areas."

The junior high school scheme (with its emphasis on integrating children from different social and educational backgrounds) must be accelerated and there must be more integration at the elementary and secondary levels, states the report.

The Knesset Labour Committee and the party proposals are saying essentially the same things. There must be a Government social policy as there is an economic or foreign policy, with fixed targets and proper accounting.

Gary Player wins $200,000 event



GOLF

GARY Player stormed out of a closely bunched field with a string of three consecutive birdies and won the $200,000 National Airlines Open Golf Tournament, Sunday, his second consecutive victory in the P.G.A. Tour.

Player had a 4-under-par 68 — despite meaningless bogeys on the last two holes — and finished with a 274 total, 14-under-par on the 6,970-yard Country Club of Miami course.

Player, who won last week's Greater Jacksonville Open, won by two strokes over Lee Trevino, the defending champion and his playing partner. Trevino had a final 69 for 276. Outsider Jerry Mcgee claimed third alone with a 66-277.

It was Player's 13th victory on the U.S. tour, and marked the first time since Arnold Palmer won the final two events of the 1969 season that anyone has scored consecutive victories.

SOCCER

ARSENAL snatched a draw from the edge of defeat with a last-minute penalty goal in their English F.A. Cup semi-final against Stoke City on Saturday while Liverpool also came from behind in the other semi-final, to defeat Everton 2-1.

Arsenal, edged out of the European Fairs Cup by F.C. Cologne on Tuesday, seemed to have lost their F.A. Cup hopes when unfancied Stoke stemmed an early assault by the Londoners and then took command.

Centre-half Denis Smith put Stoke ahead after a 22nd-minute corner and nine minutes after John Ritchie seized on a defensive blunder by Charlie George and scored their second goal.

Arsenal looked a badly shaken side, but a goal by Peter Storey early in the second half revived them. They besieged the Stoke goal in the final ten minutes, and when Stoke defender John Mahoney handled in the 90th minute, Storey rammed the ball in from the penalty spot for the equaliser.

Two second-half goals by Alun Evans and Brian Hall, gave Liverpool victory over Everton in a magnificent match.

Alan Ball's ninth-minute goal for Everton looked like putting them on the victory path, but they suffered a severe blow when their centre half, Brian Labone, went off in the 50th minute following a collision with John Toshack.

Labone had been the key figure in a superb Everton defence which never looked the same after his departure.

Nearly 120,000 spectators watched the two semi-finals — 62,144 at the battle between neighbouring clubs Liverpool and Everton at Manchester and 55,000 at the Arsenal-Stoke game at Sheffield.

RUGBY

WALES powered their way to the Rugby Union Grand Slam for the sixth time in their history on Saturday when they beat France by nine points to five in the final match of the Five Nations International Championship in Paris.

In the process, they broke a 14-year long jinx which has stopped them winning at the Colombes Stadium since 1957.

But only some atrocious finishing by the French saved the Welsh from defeat as they were forced hard back on defence in the last 20 minutes of the first half and for long stretches afterwards.

Finally it was the Welsh wonder boys, half backs Gareth Edwards and Barry John, who saw their team home.

First Edwards rounded off a 90 yard run by fullback John Williams to score Wales' first try five minutes after France had taken a 5-0 lead through a try by Benoit Dauga converted by fullback Pierre Villepreux.

Then, eleven minutes into the second half, John kicked Wales into the lead with a penalty and 14 minutes later knifed through the French defence for a try.

BASKETBALL

THE Chicago Bulls pulled back a game in their best of seven NBA Western Division semi-finals when they beat the Los Angeles Lakers 106-98 on Sunday night. The Lakers won the first two games and are 2-1 up in the series. In the East, the New York Knicks lead the Atlanta Hawks 2-1 after winning the third game 110-95 while in the other East semi-final The Baltimore Bullets also have a 2-1 lead over their opponents, The Philadelphia 76ers after taking Sunday's game 111-103.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

UCLA'S hard-pressed Bruins finally subdued Villanova's scrappy "Iron Men" 68-62 in Houston Texas Saturday with a deep-freeze and the career-high point production of senior Steve Patterson to extend their National Collegiate Athletic Association basketball championship dynasty to an unprecedented five consecutive titles.

The Bruins, who have now won seven out of the last eight NCAA championships and 28 consecutive playoff games, had to go into a stall to get the wildcats out of their tight zone defence.

Only Patterson, a 6-foot-9 centre, and guard Henry Bibby were effective shooting from the outside against Villanova, the eastern champions.

Patterson scored 29 points, 20 in the first half, and Bibby got 17. High-scoring Sidney Wicks was held to seven points under the close guarding of Villanova's 6-foot-8 Howard Porter.

Chamber music at a bargain price

RECORD REVIEWS by YOHANAN BOEHM

HATAKLIT, Haifa, has reprinted a large catalogue of classical records and is offering them at a bargain price — IL9 the disc. These are, of course, not the latest recordings, but the artists offered are top ensembles and the recording quality is quite good, despite some weaknesses. Worth the money.

BACH: A recital by Andres Segovia (Everest 3261-VV30544) contains movements from Partitas (including the Chaconne) and Suites for Cello and Lute, showing the master in all his greatness.

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MOZART: The Four Flute Quartets — Samuel Baron, with the Fine Arts Quartet (Concert-Disc CS 215 VV 30551) — outstanding flutist plays the solo part in these quartets with complete mastery, well supported by his colleagues.

SCHUBERT: The "Trout" Quintet — The Fine Arts Quartet, with Frank Glazer, piano, and Harold Siegel, double-bass (Concert-Disc 206, VV. 30540), a competent and fresh presentation.

SCHUBERT: Quartet in D minor ("Death and the Maiden") — played by the Fine Arts Quartet (Concert-Disc 212 VV 30541). An impressive performance from this fine ensemble.

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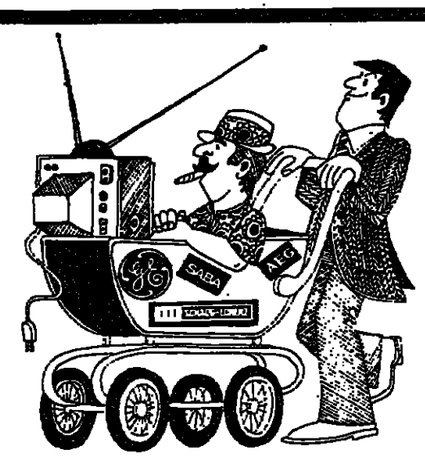

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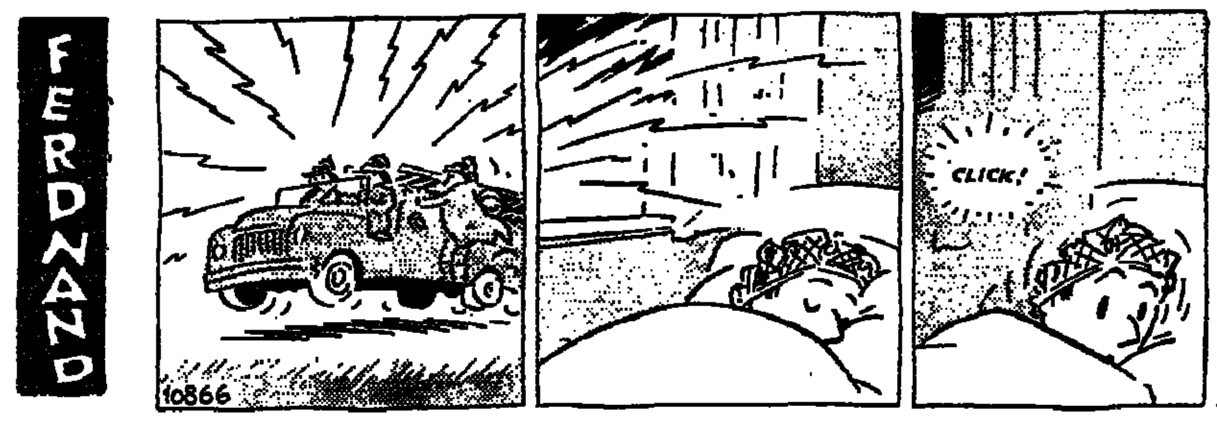

YESTERDAY'S PRESS

Pressure on Israel

Lamerhav (Socialist), noting reports that Egypt's next moves will be influenced by President Nixon's reply to Sadat's note, wonders what more Nixon can promise Sadat in return for Cairo's refraining from hostilities. The paper adds that even if U.S. pressure is brought to bear on Israel, Sadat is due for a disappointment.

Al Hamishmar (Mapam) says that Israel must strive to break the deadlock in the Jarring talks, and that even if no real peace is attainable just now, everything should be done to explore the possibilities of interim arrangements.

Hatzofe (National Religious), writing on the return of Sergeant Dori from captivity in Egypt, says that Egyptian disregard of the Geneva Convention calls for vigorous action to secure the release of those prisoners still in captivity.

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JERUSALEM
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ARNON: Gringo; **CHEN:** The Rooster; **EDEN:** The Great Robbery; **EDISON:** Aci Tesadif; **HABIRAH:** One More Time; **JERUSALEM:** John and Mary; **ORNA:** They Shoot Horses, Don't They?, 4, 6.40, 9; **ORION:** M.A.S.H.; **RON** Highway Queen; **SEMADAR:** Queen Christina.

TEL AVIV
(4.30 — 7.15 — 9.30)

ALLENBY: I Love My . . . Wife, 7.15, 9.30; **ARMON DAVID:** Les Cracks; **BEN YEHUDA:** Le Voyou; **CHEN:** The McMasters; **CINERAMA:** Darling Lily, 6.45, 9.30; **ESTHER:** There Was A Crooked Man; **GAT:** La Fiancée du Pirate; **EDEN:** Kati Patanz, 4, 6.45, 9; **GORDON:** The Owl and the Pussycat; **HOD:** Highway Queen; **MAXIM:** You Only Live Twice; **MOGRABI:** The Rooster; **OPHIR:** Hornets' Nest; **ORION:** Crossplot; **PARIS:** The Royal Hunt of the Sun; **PEER:** Le Cercle Rouge, 7, 9.30; **RAMAT AVIV:** The Story of a Woman, 7.15, 9.30; **SHDEROTH:** A Walk in the Spring Rain; **STUDIO:** Jealousy Italian Style; **TCHELET:** Chariots of God; **TEL AVIV:** Tora! Tora! Tora!, 6.30, 9.15; **ZAFON:** The 25th Hour, 7, 9.30; **ZAMIR:** Watermelon Man;

RAMAT GAN
(7.15 — 9.30)

ARMON: The Out-of-Towners, 7.15, 9.30; **HADAR:** Cable Hogue, 7.15, 9.30; **OASIS:** My Fair Lady, 6, 9; **OREDA:** Last Summer, 7.15, 9.30; **RAMA:** Al Capone, 7.15, 9.30; **RAMAT GAN:** M.A.S.H., 7.15, 9.30.

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SHALOM: Dead or Alive.

HAIFA
(4.00 — 6.45 — 9.00)

AMPHITHEATRE: Tora! Tora! Tora!, 6.15, 9; **ARMON:** In Search of Gregory; **ATZMON:** Le Cercle Rouge, 4, 6.30, 9.15; **BEIT ROTHSCHILD:** Born Yesterday; **CHEN:** They Call Me Mister Tibbs; **MAY:** Paths of Glory; **MIRON:** The Sons of the "Sun; **MORIAH:** Ewige Walzer; **ORAH:** Highway Queen; **ORION:** So Darling, So Deadly; **ORLY:** Last Summer; **PEER:** The Rooster; **RON:** Kelly's Heroes, 6.15, 9; **SHAVIT:** Jeff.

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FIRST PROGRAMME
256, 259, 335, 341 and 221 M.

NEWS: 12.00, 1.00, 2.00, 3.00, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 10.00, and 12.00 p.m.

SECOND PROGRAMME
457 and 428 M.

NEWS: 6.05, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00 and 12.00 a.m.; 1.00, 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, and 12.00 p.m.

FIRST PROGRAMME

11.15 a.m. Broadcasts for Pupils. 11.35 Songs and Melody. 12.05 Musical Introduction — Suppe: Overture "Light Cavalry." 12.15 Broadcasts for Pupils. 12.35 In Solitude with . . . the Violinist Carl Srobek. 1.05 Midday Concert — The Portrait of Gluck — Symphony No. 1 in F major (Conductor: Hermann Scherchen); 2 Arias from the Opera "Orpheus and Euridice" (Gerard Souzay — Bass Baritone); Aria from "Iphigenie in Tauris" (Singer — Maria Callas; Conductor: George Pretre); Suite of Ballet pieces arranged by Motti (Conductor: Fritz Mahler). 2.10 Mother and Child. 3.05 Close Down.
5.05 p.m. Programme Announcements. 5.06 "Music you Love" — Beethoven: Turkish March (Conductor: Efrem Kurtz); Grofe: "Grand Canyon" Suite (Conductor: Arthur Fiedler). 5.40 Talmud Lesson for High School Students. 6.05 Announcements. 6.10 World of Science (repeat). 6.45 Beholei Tora. 6.55 For The Farmer — Daily News Service. 7.00 "This Day," People and Events in the News. 7.50 Bible Reading: Hoshea, chaps. 7 and 8. 8.09 Tonight's Programme. 8.10 A. Alon's Corner. 8.15 "Towards the Concert." 8.30 The Israel Broadcasting Symphony Orchestra (live broadcast for an invited audience only, relayed from the Y.M.C.A. Hall, Jerusalem) Conductor: Mendi Rodan; Soloists: Carmen Or — Piano; Sharona Tel-Oren — Flute; Chaim Yuval — Oboe; Avraham Bornstein — Viola with the Israel Broadcasting Choir directed by Akiva Talmi — Bach: Suite No. 2; Beethoven: Piano Concerto No. 1; Sergio Natra: Suite for Oboe and Strings; Vaughan-Williams: "Flos Campi" for Viola, Orchestra and Choir. 10.45 Anthology for Poetry. 11.05 "Music with a Light Flavour" — Noam Sheriff: "Alla Rhumba"; Morton Gould: Deserted Ballroom; Don Gillis: Symphony No. 5½; Sowande: African Suite for Strings; Press: Prelude and Fugue in Jazz; Torch: Barbecue. 12.05 a.m. Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
Commercial Programme

6.00 a.m. Religious Service. 6.10 Exercises. 6.20 Musical Clock. 7.05 Press Review. 7.15 Hebrew Songs. 7.55 "Green Light." 8.10 "Good Morning." 8.55 "From A to Z." 9.05 "Good Morning" (cont.). 10.05 Housewife's Corner. 12.05 Programme for the Worker and the Employer. 12.30 "At Midday" — News and Music. 2.03 Press Review. 2.10 Where to Go. 2.35 This is Rivka Michaeli. 3.30 Daily Science 3.35 This is Rivka Michaeli (cont.). 4.07 Oriental Songs — requests. 4.30 Quiz by S. Rosen. 4.35 Oriental Songs (cont.). 5.05 A Selection of Songs from the Israeli and Foreign Hit Parade. 6.05 "Mixed Notes." 6.40 Sports. 6.49 Small Ad. Corner.
9.05 p.m. "Strange and Peculiar" (repeat). 9.50 Light Music. 10.05 "Ten Plus Club." 12.05 Close Down.

FOURTH PROGRAMME
443, 497 and 292 M.

News in English: 7.00 a.m., 1.30 and

INSTRUCTIONAL TELEVISION PROGRAMME

9.05 English 9 — Uncle Joseph. 11.00 Technology 9. 12.00 English 10 — Let's Review. 1.35 Science 7. 2.25 Face to Face with Prof. A. Halperin.

ISRAEL TELEVISION SERVICE

Children's Programme (Hebrew): 6.00 p.m. Youth Magazine.
Arabic Programme: 6.30 p.m. For the Family. 7.00 News. 7.15 "Projector."
Hebrew Programme: 7.30 "Family Affair." 8.00 Mabat. 8.20 Songs and Dances. 9.00 On Scenery and Man in Israel. 9.10 Sport; The Week's Match. 9.55 News.

8.30 p.m. News in French: 7.15 a.m. 2.00 and 8.45 p.m.
Arabic Programme: 5.58-7.00 a.m., 7.30-9.00 a.m., 10.58 a.m.-1.30 p.m., 2.30-5.3 p.m.; 9.00 p.m.-12.15 a.m.

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ARMY PROGRAMME
218, 225 and 235 M.

11.00 a.m. Request Programme. 11. From the Hebrew Hit Parade. 11.30 happened. 12.00 News. 12.05 Request (cont.). 12.30 Ammunition. 12.35 Requests (cont.). 1.00 News. 1.05 Hebrew Songs. 1.30 Sports Corner. 1.35 Hebrew Songs (cont.). 1.55 Announcements Soldiers. 2.00 News. 2.10 Close Down.
2.57 p.m. Opening. 3.00 News. "Please Call" — with Edna Shavit. 4 News. 4.05 "Please Call" (cont.). 4 Across the Border. 5.00 News. 5.05 Requests. 5.40 Zahal's Diary. 6.00 News. 6.05 Personal File; R. Bashan Interviews. 7.00 News. 7.10 Special requests. 8.00 News. 8.10 Light Music. 8.30 Ja[illegible] 9.00 News. 9.05 "Noah's Ark" 10 News. 10.05 "Noah's Ark" (cont.). 11 News. 11.05 Let's Talk — with Nat[illegible] Donewitz. 12.00 News. 12.05 a.m. Close Down.

VOICE OF AMERICA
238 M. (Medium Wave)

5.00 a.m. The Breakfast Show (News, Music, Topical Reports and Features). 9.00 News and Topical Reports. Special English Feature.
4.00 p.m. News in Special English. 4.15 Special English Feature. 4.30 NOW Sound. 5.00 Report to South A[illegible] 6.00 News in Special English. 6.15 Special English Feature. 11.00 Report [from] the Middle East, Africa and Eur[ope] 12.00 News in Special English. [12.15] Special English Feature. 12.30 Music U.S.A. (Popular). 1.00 News and Top[ical] Reports. 1.15 Music U.S.A. (Jazz). Close Down.

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Gvati insists Kinneret pollution 'not so bad'

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Agriculture Minister Haim Gvati said that the authorities were taking steps, and carrying out research, to prevent further pollution of Lake Kinneret.

Replying in the Knesset yesterday to a motion for the agenda by Mr. Yosef Tamir (Gahal) which was moved to committee, Mr. Gvati said that action was being taken to stop sewage water from Tiberias entering the lake. (He listed no other practical step.) Research was being done, he added, to examine the influence of water from the Huleh Valley fishponds on life in the lake.

The Minister painted a reassuring picture which contrasted sharply with what Mr. Tamir said. All the Ministries involved were cooperating and coordinating fully, he claimed, so that the separation of functions did no harm.

"I'm sure we shall succeed in preventing the further pollution of the Kinneret. The situation is not so bad, that you can say the lake is dying. Still, the situation could deteriorate if appropriate steps are not taken in time," Mr. Gvati argued.

Mr. Tamir sketched a gloomy, even grim picture. He listed a large number of factors causing pollution in the Kinneret, from chemical fertilisers, through peat, to sewage and salt content of the waters.

The lake is dying, he warned. Its fish are suffering, and the algae are spreading over the waters. Israel's one and only sweet water lake has reached the "red line" of pollution, and the responsibility in great part lies with the Government.

Mr. Tamir quoted modern research reports to the effect that the Jewish People in historical times did much to preserve nature, and mentioned Maimonides statements in this respect. In present-day Israel, however, he regretted, the trend was reversed. He suggested that one single statutory body should be established to deal with all the ecological problems affecting the Kinneret.

– But Allon admits 'almost all' rivers are sullied

Jerusalem Post Reporter

No fewer than 400 wells on the Coastal Plain have a dangerously high level of nitrates, and almost all our rivers are polluted, Deputy Prime Minister Yigal Allon said yesterday. Mr. Allon was speaking at a congress on environmental problems, "Man in a Hostile Environment," which concludes at the Van Leer Institute, in Jerusalem, today.

Yesterday's opening sessions were attended by 150 scientists, senior civil servants and representatives of public organizations concerned with ecology and environment. The four main workshops at the congress are being devoted to air pollution, water pollution and disposal of solid waste, noise pollution, and climate and construction.

Mr. Allon, who authorised the establishment last month of the National Committee on Biosphere and the Environment, under whose auspices the congress is being held, had two main recommendations — more study of the problem of pollution and closer co-ordination between various government departments in this area.

Dr. Eliezer Tal, director of the National Council for Research and Development, said that a careful definition of norms was half the battle in solving the problem of pollution.

Jerusalem sewage hurts Gan Raveh

Jerusalem Post Reporter

RISHON LEZION. — Large tracts of land within the Gan Raveh Local Council's jurisdiction, west of Rishon Lezion, have been contaminated by sewage waters from Jerusalem, Council Head Yitzhak Eren claimed yesterday. The sewage is piped from Jerusalem to the Beit Shemesh area, and due to some fault, large quantities appear to have spilled out recently into Nahal Sorek, and thence to Nahal Rubin which passes through the Gan Raveh area. Fish in Nahal Rubin have died, and a strong stench is emitted from the stream. The waters have overflowed and contaminated adjoining fields.

60,000 sufferers, but public ignorant of diabetes

By SUSAN BELLOS
Jerusalem Post Reporter

What is diabetes? various members of the Jerusalem press corps asked at a news conference yesterday. The question gave inadvertent emphasis to a statement by Professor Aharon Cohen, that, *although 60,000 to 70,000 Israelis* are suffering from diabetes today, the public is largely unaware of the problem.

Professor Cohen, who is head of Hadassah's Diabetic Clinic, said that this year's World Health Day, which takes place on April 7, the 50th anniversary of the discovery of insulin, will be devoted to diabetes. Interest in diabetes today centres on its relation to environmental factors, such as diet, and its connection with heart diseases. Diabetics, Professor Cohen said, were 10 times more prone to heart diseases than the rest of the population.

Dr. Yitzhak Ser, chairman of the Israel Diabetes Association, said that all diabetics who were members of Kupat Holim had free treatment and drugs, but the Association had been working on bringing various groups of uninsured old people suffering from diabetes into some framework where they would not have to pay. Professor Cohen said that the problem of diabetics was not so much the cost of insulin and treatment as the cost of dietetic foods, which were absolutely essential, and which are 25 per cent more expensive than regular foods. Dr. Ser said that his association had been trying to influence manufacturers to reduce these prices and to work on the Ministry of Finance for exemptions for diabetics.

Boys tip dustman into cart

Jerusalem children playing around with the control buttons of a dustcart caused the injury to a dustman on Sunday.

Sami Salame Shaker, a municipal dustman, was busy emptying dustbins *into the cart when he suddenly received* a sharp blow from behind. He was hurled into the cart by the dustbin-lifting apparatus attached to the back of the cart, and landed awkwardly amid the rubbish, hurting himself slightly. As he fell, he noticed some small boys in the cab, operating the buttons which control the lifting equipment.

Shaker was taken to the Government Hospital in the Old City. None of the boys, aged about 11, was apprehended. *(Itim)*

Histadrut Teachers Union blocks wage accord with shock demands

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — As representatives of the Joint Teachers Headquarters and the Ministry of Education met in the El Al building late Sunday night to initial the new work agreement, the Histadrut Teachers Union threw a spanner into the works by bringing up new demands, concerning kindergarten teachers and teacher seminary lecturers. The Secondary School Teachers Association promptly announced that the Histadrut Union's surprise move constituted the dissolution of the Headquarters.

The chairman of the Secondary School Teachers Association, Mr. Reuven Aviram, told *The Jerusalem Post* last night that he and his colleagues had come to the Ministry on Sunday night "with no doubt whatsoever that we were about to put a final end to the dispute. We had reached agreement with the Ministry negotiators and both unions had undertaken clearly to initial the agreement."

Both Deputy Minister of Education Aharon Yadlin and the Association representatives reacted sharply to the surprise demands of the Histadrut teachers, especially since the demand to cut the working week of seminary lecturers from 21 to 18 hours was never included in the negotiations. The demand that kindergarten teachers finish their work one hour earlier on Friday had been dropped during the talks. Mr. Yadlin termed the Histadrut action "grossly *irresponsible*."

Mr. Aviram used sharper language: "Underhand exploitation" and "strong-arm tactics" were among the terms he used. "This means that things have gone back to where they were before the Headquarters was set up. If the Histadrut Union really sees us as negotiating partners, why did it not inform us of its move 10 minutes earlier? Partners don't keep secrets from each other. We had also made some painful concessions during the talks, and we too could have started bringing up demands, if the Histadrut prefers a free-for-all to fair play," Mr. Aviram said.

The Histadrut Union has meanwhile asked that all talks on the agreement be halted for a week, until its secretary-general, Mr. Shalom Levin M.K., returns from the U.S. Mr. Levin had telephoned his approval of the proposed agreement on Sunday. Other Histadrut Union leaders were somewhat bewildered and embarrassed yesterday and refused to comment.

Teachers in both organizations now feel that the ball is with in the Ministry. The Association representatives, who left the meeting in protest at 4.00 a.m., said there was little likelihood that the Association would sign an agreement with the Ministry separately before the Union clarified its own stand.

Kollek wants less building for immigrants, more for old-timers

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek said yesterday that statements about Jerusalem's status by foreign political and religious circles only created restlessness among the city's Arab population. "It makes them more cautious and reduces open cooperation, although quiet cooperation grows every day."

Mr. Kollek was addressing a meeting of the Municipal Council at which a IL113m. budget for 1971/72 was approved.

The main problem for Jerusalem in the coming year was not politics or even planning, Mr. Kollek said, but poverty. The arrival of immigrants and the creation of handsome new neighbourhoods opposite old and crowded quarters was increasing social tension. At Ramat Eshkol, he noted, apartments were half as big again as in neighbouring Shmuel Hanavi, while the families were on the average half the size of those in Shmuel Hanavi.

The Mayor said he had asked the *Housing Ministry to put off building* 500 apartments for immigrants during the coming year and use the funds to improve existing housing. The reply was that if the money is not used to build apartments for immigrants in Jerusalem, it would be used for them in Tel Aviv. A start has been made by the Ministry, he noted, in improving apartments in the Katamon area.

The absorption of immigrants was important, Mr. Kollek said, but it should not be accomplished at the expense of native Jerusalemites, particularly young couples who are forced to leave the city because they cannot find a home.

Mr. Kollek attacked the Histadrut's opposition to the raising of local taxes as "regressive and anti-socialist." The money that would have been raised, he said, would have gone for the most part to help the underprivileged.

The budget for the coming year, an 18 per cent increase over the previous budget, will involve a IL7m. deficit. Thirty per cent of it is devoted to education and culture. Welfare expenditure is up 35 per cent to IL11m. Voting against the budget were the three National Religious Party Councillors and the one representative of Iraqi Immigrants.

H.U. may slip, say governors

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Concern over the ability of the Hebrew University to maintain its pre-eminence among universities in Israel was voiced yesterday at a meeting of the finance committee of its Board of Governors, which is holding its 33rd annual meeting this week.

The Rector, Dr. Jacob Katz, alleged that, while the University balanced its budget, other institutions were spending whatever they wanted to on attracting promising academic staff in the knowledge that the Government would cover their deficits. The reference was apparently to Tel Aviv University. Other committee members strongly attacked the Government for not providing more funds.

The committee will present to the plenary session of the board tomorrow an ordinary and basic equipment budget of IL139m. for the coming fiscal year, a substantial increase over last year's budget of IL108.3m. The board will also be asked to approve a IL75.7m. development budget, double last year's. The Government will cover IL83.5m. of the ordinary budget and IL22m. of the development budget.

Included in the budget is a IL1m. allocation to be used by the university president and rector in attracting established and promising talent to the faculty ranks.

The development budget includes start on a life sciences building on the Givat Ram campus, but most of it is devoted to construction on Mount Scopus.

'Panthers' are good thing, Knesset unit told

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Disadvantaged youth must inevitably get together in a bid to extricate themselves from their plight. Forms of organization such as the "Black Panthers" are positive and healthy phenomena, even when communal sentiments are coloured by a political tinge.

A joint Knesset body heard this view yesterday from Dr. Eliezer Yaffe, head of the Jerusalem Municipality's Social Welfare Department. Dr. Yaffe accused the Government Ministries of handling the depressed areas and their human problems in "amateurish" fashion.

Also addressing the body—made up of members of the Education and the Social Services committees — was community care chief Avner Amiel, who adduced evidence to show the Housing Ministry lacked good will. The Black Panthers want to be regular citizens like anyone else, but their problems are getting harder to solve all the time, and not easier, Mr. Amiel said.

Dearer water for Haifaites

By YAACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Municipal Council last night voted for a steep rise in water rates for all consumers, domestic and industrial. Domestic users will now be charged 50 ag. per cubic metre, instead of the present 35 ag. The actual price will, however, be 75 ag. when the various levies, for sewage, meter maintenance and equalization fund are added. The charge for water for gardens, business, industry, workshops, hotels and the port was raised by 10 to 15 agora per cubic metre. Families of more than five members will be granted an annual discount of from IL12 to IL42.

The new rates were approved by the votes of 16 coalition Councillors over the opposition of four Gahal Councillors, who held that the rise was too steep.

The council also approved the raising of the ceiling fees for the municipal kindergartens for three- to four-year-olds, from IL350 to IL500 a year Large families will receive reductions.

Stevedores ask for unlinked wage policy

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A demand for a separate wage policy for the country's *port workers, unlinked to industrial* wage scales, was raised by the Haifa port workers' secretary, Yisrael Garber, at a meeting of the works committees with the Histadrut Secretary, Yitzhak Ben-Aharon, in the port here yesterday. Mr. Ben-Aharon had come to convey his best wishes to the stevedores for Pessah, Independence Day and May Day.

Mr. Garber told him that, all over the world, port workers enjoy special wage rates. Mr. Ben-Aharon did not react to the demand, emphasizing that he had come only to convey Holiday greetings.

However, he told the committees that "a struggle is going on in this country, for the dignity of work and workers." He noted that the position now was that "the further away from manual work a man moves, the higher his income."

Mr. Ben-Aharon also met port manager Yitzhak Rahav and toured the port before going on for a similar call at Ashdod.

In Ashdod, Ports Authority chief Aharon Remez told Mr. Ben-Aharon, that the pay raises granted the port workers recently have justified themselves in increased productivity.

1,200 engineers came last year

About 2,300 engineers came to Israel as immigrants since 1968 — 1,200 in 1970 alone — Absorption Ministry Director-General Hillel Ashkenazi told the Engineers Convention in Jerusalem yesterday.

He added that immigration would have to be the country's chief source of engineering manpower. The Patinkin Committee predicted that Israel would need 4,000 extra engineers between 1970 and 1975, he said.

Canada Transport Minister arrives

Jerusalem Post Aviation Reporter

LOD AIRPORT. — Canadian Transport Minister Donald Jamieson, who arrived here yesterday on the return leg of El Al's Tel Aviv-Montreal inaugural flight, said he was "open to ideas and suggestions for cooperation between our two countries."

He added that he could see Canadian Pacific using Lod Airport as a pivot point for Canadian passenger flights into Africa, eventually.

The Minister is accompanied by his wife and is scheduled to remain here for one week. He said he hoped to see more than seaports and airports during his stay.

The El Al plane touched down at 11 a.m., having covered the 5,030-statute-mile trip — non-stop — in just over 10 hours. This is the Israel airline's second-longest non-stop route. It is only 30 miles shorter than the Tel Aviv-New York run.

The flight was met by Transport Minister Shimon Peres. Among its passengers was an 80-man Keren Hayesod-United Jewish Appeal study mission. The rest of the receiving party involved a bevy of El Al hostesses bearing flowers, and an Air Force Mirage, which executed aerobatics to herald the landing of the El Al plane.

HOLON'S BUDGET for 1971/72, in the amount of IL34,474,000, was approved on Sunday night by the Town Council. It is 23 per cent bigger than last year's budget.

2nd perjury charge in Hadad case

TEL AVIV. — A second witness in the Amnon Hadad murder trial has been remanded by court order on suspicion of perjuring himself while on the stand. He is Aharon Ben-Moshe of Ramat Yitzhak. A few days ago another witness, 17-year-old Yosef Haviv, was arrested on the same charge.

Eitan Hiyeh, 19, is on trial for the murder last October of 36-year-old Amnon Hadad, of Ramat Gan. Hadad was shot through the head while he slept.

Another witness, Shlomo Nagar, 30, told the court yesterday that Hadad had owed Hiyeh IL5,000 for some stolen jewellery, but had refused to pay. Nagar said the accused had told him several times that he intended to kill Hadad if he did not make good the debt.

Arlosorov murder libel trial adjourned

The libel suit brought by three of the founders of *Habiryonim* against Viscount Samuel, his local publisher and the editor of *The Jerusalem Post* opened yesterday in the Magistrate's Court. Hearings were put off to June 7, because Lord Samuel was not in the country, after the plaintiffs refused to settle out of court.

The plaintiffs — Zvi Rosenblatt, Ya'acov Ornstein and Haim Dviri — are demanding that their names be cleared of the alleged libel of plotting to murder the first Lord Samuel, Dr. Judah Magnes and Dr. Haim Arlosorov in 1933. Rosenblatt was at the time charged and acquitted of the actual murder of Dr. Arlosorov. He and the other two plaintiffs were members of *Habiryonim*, a right-wing, anti-British underground group.

'Inflation is like hashish'

Much too much money around, says Horowitz

Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

Interest rates should not be pushed up by the new measures of monetary restraint (announced on Sunday), Mr. David Horowitz, Governor of the Bank of Israel, told a lunchtime meeting of the Government Spokesmen's Association in Jerusalem yesterday. He explained that these policies will not diminish the means of payment in circulation; they will only slow down the pace of increase.

The need for corrective policies had become pressing. The volume of money increased by 15 per cent or IL440m., during the 11 months from January to December of last year, necessitating a special report released by the Bank a fortnight ago. But in the three months since last December, Israel's money supply has swollen by almost half as much again, or another IL200m.

If inflation were allowed to take hold, it is then that interest-rates would shoot up, according to Mr. Horowitz, because people will not lend money unless their earnings exceed the price rise.

At the same time, he was careful to defend the right of the monetary authorities to lift interest rates if they find it necessary. "Every one per cent rise in the price of credit pushes up production costs by only 0.1 per cent," he stressed. Cheap money is sometimes desirable (for example, in a slump), but not always. It is occasionally necessary to make credit dearer in order to slow down inflation.

Though due to retire later in the year, Mr. Horowitz was in his usual brisk form. "Inflation is like hashish," he declared, "giving dreams and illusions that distract addicts from the bitter end which lies ahead."

He would not say whether the Government should also make a contribution to curb inflation by imposing higher taxes — though his report on the means of payment, published in mid-March, warns that "if, during the year there is any negative impact on prices or the balance of payments, there will be no alternative but to enact new fiscal measures."

The Jerusalem Post's correspondent asked whether the central bank proposes to do anything about a 40 per cent wage rise demanded by employees of Bank Leumi. Experience suggests that the management might yield, to avoid a shutdown. The Governor answered that it is not his business to interfere in a commercial bank's labour relations, but he added: "If you ask me personally, I'm against such a wage settlement."

Nissim urges Moscow rabbi to speak out, unafraid

Chief Rabbi Yitzhak Nissim has called on the Chief Rabbi of Moscow, Rabbi Yehuda Leib Levin, to speak out against Soviet anti-Semitism. In a Pessah greetings letter sent yesterday, Rabbi Nissim urges the Moscow rabbi to "zealously fight the Lord's fight. If simple people are not afraid, why, then, should you fear?" Rabbi Nissim asks.

The letter sends greetings and blessings to the Jews of Russia, "many of whom do not hide their adherence in the religion of the ancestors and their desire to return to the Holy Land."

Rabbi Nissim then continues: "You, who stand at the head of the Jewish community in the Russian capital in this difficult period, should lend your support to all those who wish to safeguard the spark of Judaism and sustain it. As long as fear and terror reigned, and none dared express his true thoughts, it was possible to assume the best of motives on your part. But now that young people, not necessarily religious, are speaking out you can no longer stand by.

"You must zealously fight the Lord's fight... This is an historic time, when you can raise yourself and save yourself from the condemnation of the People, if you come to the side of God's brave heroes."

Israel radio hams break own record

SASA. — The eight-man Israeli radio ham team in the international amateur radio competition, which ended at 2 a.m. on Monday, managed to break their own previous record. Calling the world with three men short during the last hours of the 48-hour-long competition, they succesfully contacted more than 5,000 other *ham stations* in various parts of the world. Three of the hams were unable to stay the whole 48 hours, as they had to go back to their jobs.

Last year, when the team won the world championship, they made just under 5,000 contacts, which was more than twice as many as their nearest competitor.

T.A. may spend IL5m. to tackle slums

TEL AVIV. — Mayor Yehoshua Rabinowitz proposed setting aside IL5m. in order to solve some of the city's slum problems. He was addressing the Municipal Council after it had approved his IL224m. annual budget.

Mr. Rabinowitz explained that Tel Aviv has 55 per cent of all the country's slum dwellings, and that 5,000 such apartment units are on *private land, thus making it virtually* impossible for the city to evict families who refuse to move. This is especially true of the Tikva quarter, where all attempts to induce families there to move into new housing projects have met with failure. All in all, some 28,000 Tel Aviv families live in substandard housing.

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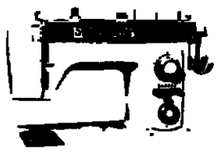
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(Top): Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir battling verbally with a delegation of landlords in his office in the Treasury. (Lower): Police and the Minister's aides struggle to clear a path for Mr. Sapir through the crowd of landlords who besieged his office. (Ruhinger)

Landlords besiege Sapir

A mass of angry landlords beleaguered Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir in his office in the Treasury yesterday. Police were called in to clear a path for the Minister, after Mr. Sapir had been forced to lock himself in his room to avoid the landlords' wrath.

The landlords had been protesting outside the Knesset, where the Tenant Protection Bill was passing through its second and third readings. A group of some 250, most of them elderly and not of prosperous appearance, carried placards, asking how the Government could "seek justice in Moscow when it practised injustice in Jerusalem" and accusing the "ruling party of conspiring with the Communists to rob us of our property."

The placards, as well as leaflets they distributed, were largely aimed at the English-speaking tourist. "This is what the tourist guide didn't tell you about," the leaflets said. The material explained why Israel apartment buildings looked run-down and dilapidated, and why investors were reluctant to construct rental housing.

From the Knesset, the demonstrators proceeded to the Treasury. They pushed aside the doormen, and made their way up the Minister's office on the second floor, crying "Shame" as they went, and making short shrift of officials who tried to halt them. The Minister gave one look from his door at the threatening throng, and promptly stepped inside and firmly locked the door. Police were called in, led by Jerusalem Commander Daniel Bareli.

Eventually Mr. Sapir agreed to receive a seven-man delegation, and a heated argument ensued with them inside his office, while the others waited outside the door. After this debate, Mr. Sapir left his room, surrounded by policemen and his aides, with the landlords shouting in unison "shame, shame".

The Landlords' Association spokesman told *The Jerusalem Post* last night that they intend bringing their claims to the attention of the U.N. Commission on Human Rights. They are also taking steps to make their case known to foreign investors abroad, and to tourists visiting this country.

RENTS BILL PASSED

By HIRSH GOODMAN
Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Amid the protests of demonstrators outside, and Members inside, the Knesset last night passed the controversial Tenants Protection Law amendment—a Bill which has been criticized by all segments of the population — tenants and landlords, wealthy and poor, the Communists and Gahal.

Nevertheless the Bill was finally passed over the opposition of the State List, Free Centre, New Communists, Communists, and Ha'Olam Hazeh. Gahal voted with the Government. Mapam did not take part in the vote, while Poalei Agudat Yisrael and Agudat Yisrael abstained.

Presenting the Bill for its second and third readings, Law and Constitution Committee Chairman Dr. Israel Ben-Meir told the House that the Committee's task had not been an easy one. The Bill was, by nature, one which affected large segments of the population, and thus had serious social and economic implications — but, he added, the Committee was faced with a legal document, and the criteria which dictated its decisions were based on legal, rather than socio-economic considerations.

He noted that the maximum ceiling had been cut during the Committee's deliberations, which were stretched over four months, and punctuated by talks from experts. The cuts were made against the express wishes of Housing Minister Ze'ev Sharef.

The new Law stipulates the following maximum rents: —

One-and-a-half-room flats, IL24 per month per room.

Two, and two-and-a-half-room flats, IL30 per month per room.

Three, and three-and-a-half-room flats, IL40 per room per month.

Four-room-flats and over, IL50 per room per month.

One clause increases the protection afforded to those tenants who paid key-money. Dr. Ben-Meir said that overall protection (that is, against eviction and rent-hikes) will be given to all those who live in flats built before 1954, regardless of whether they paid key-money. For those who paid key-money, the present rent increases will be reduced for 15 years from the date of payment.

The new Law allows the Government to fix rents for business premises on a selective basis, and in certain cases to withdraw protection from the tenant, and demand that the rent be fixed directly between the shop-owner and landlord.

Another important amendment was made with regard to renovations. Previously the landlord was responsible for essential repairs and a tenant could carry these out if necessary and present the landlord with the bill. Here again the Committee voted against the Government's wishes, and ruled that all repairs should be carried out by both tenant and landlord jointly.

The main opposition to the bill came from Gideon Patt and Zalman Abramov (Gahal), Menahem Porush (Agudat Yisrael) and Meir Avizohar (State List), who all demanded that minimum rents be increased, and that landlords be protected in future.

Mr. Shmuel Tamir (Free Centre), in an angry speech, claimed that as a result of the law, flats for rental were not being built, a fact which was costing the State around IL1,000m. per year. He said that apart from the State, the main victims were new immigrants, young couples and families who were forced to live in slums.

The vote on the opposition amendments was confused, with no party discipline in evidence. Deputy Speaker Tova Sanhedrai kept calling for order while party partners argued among themselves.

Cabinet may settle Rabbinate issue today

By ASHER WALLFISH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The *ad hoc* Ministerial Committee set up on Sunday to go into the problem of the Chief Rabbinate Council and the Chief Rabbinate — whose terms expire tomorrow — held a one-hour session yesterday, chaired by Premier Golda Meir.

The atmosphere was described by one of those present as somewhat calmer than that at the Cabinet the day before, when tempers rose, as some Ministers voiced vigorous criticism of the actions of the Chief Rabbinate, while the N.R.P. Ministers rejected them, arguing that the Chief Rabbinate must remain fully independent.

However, the Cabinet Committee took no decision, and the full Cabinet will convene this morning.

Although the Religious Affairs Minister, Dr. Zerah Warhaftig, wanted the mandate of the present Chief Rabbinate extended for 12 months, till he could present his long-awaited Chief Rabbinate Elections Law, Premier Meir was first inclined to suggest only three months — and even this, on condition that certain outstanding issues are settled.

As one Minister told *The Post*, "how could we possibly agree meekly to extend the Chief Rabbinate's mandate after its extraordinary and totally unjustified interference in the matter of the Vienna conversions?" He was especially incensed that the result of the Rabbinate action was to cast doubt on the status of converts who had since settled in Israel and never dreamed they were other than they thought — or were believed to be. Another score to be settled, the Minister said, was the matter of the status of *mamzerim*.

The Ministerial discussion also touched on disputed points of the final bill being prepared by Dr. Warhaftig, such as the age-limit for incumbent Chief Rabbis and candidates. Defence Minister Moshe Dayan's proposal to have only one Chief Rabbi also has to be aired.

The Ministerial Regulations required to extend the present mandate of the Chief Rabbinate could be approved this week, before the Knesset rises, for the Passover recess. The final bill could be tabled after the recess, it was said last night.

Theroretically, however, the mandate of the Chief Rabbinate could also expire before the crisis is resolved — a contingency which did not appear to trouble observers. It has happened before. The mandate of the Chief Rabbinate was then extended retroactively.

Two Bills, aimed at changing the religious *status quo* in the country, have been tabled in the Knesset by Dr. Moshe Sneh, Communist. The first would have the Minister of Interior appoint a Civil Marriage Registrar.

The second would have all immigrants in the possession of a conversion certificate from abroad recognized as Jews, and entitled to all the benefits afforded to immigrants who are born Jewish, or who were converted according to *halacha*.

TODAY'S POSTBAG

ALL SOLDIERS from kibbutzim and moshavim will have free passes for travel on Egged buses anywhere except on the Eilat and Sinai routes, starting May, the company announced yesterday, following an agreement reached with the kibbutz and moshav movements.

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A CIVIL DEFENCE drill will take place today in Petah Tikva. Bomb and fire incidents and evacuation of "wounded" will be simulated by the Magen David Adom, firemen and police. Residents are requested to cooperate and to follow instructions. (In the event of a real emergency, an undulating siren will sound.)

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EILAT'S ELECTRICAL shift workers have started operating the idle desalination plant there. They had refused to work with fewer than five men to a shift, while the management ruled that a shift would only have four workers. A settlement was reached on Friday, and the workers started producing sweet water Sunday night — with four men on a shift — having reserved the right to further negotiations.

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THE MILITARY GOVERNMENT yesterday approved the 1971-72 budget of the Nablus Municipality, for IL5.7m., after making several changes.

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SHAARE ZEDEK Hospital has organized a volunteer system of supplying obstetrical nurses (certified midwives) to the Poriya Hospital in Tiberias, which is critically short of midwives, the Jerusalem hospital reported yesterday. Poriya records 100 births per month, but, until Shaare Zedek started "lending" it nurses, it did not even have a single certified midwife on duty during every shift.

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AN INTER-MINISTERIAL committee has been set up to investigate the effects of the noise caused by jet aircraft on the residents of Beit Dagon, near Lod Airport. The committee includes representatives of the Ministries of Health, Interior and Housing. They are charged with recommending short and long-term solutions to the problem.

Layland takeover

Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

TEL AVIV. — Leyland Motors, the British motor giant, has taken over sole control of Leyland-Triumph (Israel) Co. An agreement between the British firm and the other shareholders in Leyland-Triumph (Israel) Co. was finalized yesterday and has already come into effect.

Leyland is paying about IL2.5m. for the 74 per cent of Leyland-Triumph's share capital which was held by Koor Ltd., Israel Central Trade and Investment Co. and Near East Consolidated.

As a result of the deal, Leyland Motors will now control 74 per cent of Autocars Ltd., which is the holding company of Leyland enterprises in this country. The other 26 per cent of Autocars is held by a family group headed by Mr. Yitzhak Shubinsky, Autocars' founder and general manager.

Two terrorists killed in clash in Gaza Strip

Jerusalem Post Reporter

GAZA. — Two armed terrorists were shot and killed on Sunday night in a clash with security forces near the Burej refugee camp, south of here. The incident occurred at seven p.m. Both men were later identified as being on the wanted list. One of the bodies was not found until yesterday morning.

No Israelis were hurt in the clash.

Court lets retarded girl give kidney to sister

HAIFA. — The woman who donated Israel's first successfully transplanted kidney to save her son's life yesterday received court support for her decision to have a kidney transplanted from the body of one of her daughters to save another one.

Mrs. Nazira Levi had asked the District Court to allow her retarded 17-year-old daughter to donate a kidney to her sister, who lost both of hers and is being kept alive by an artificial kidney. The court would not intervene until the State appointed a legal guardian for the retarded girl — Dr. Bernard Cohen, head of Tel Hashomer's Pediatrics Department.

Dr. Cohen was asked to make a recommendation safeguarding the welfare of his ward, and he stated that the transplant would be to her advantage, since it would allow her to take an active part in the family struggle and thus strengthen the emotional bond between her and the rest of the family. (A retarded child is often rejected or even made a scapegoat by the rest of his family.)

Court President Avraham Schasl ruled that the court was not normally empowered to make a decision in such matters. However, since both guardians (natural and legal) of the retarded child agreed on the question before the court, he could only judge the soundness of their decision. The Attorney-General can still appeal. *(Itim)*

Action to prevent hotel over-booking

All hotels are to be required to report daily to the Ministry of Tourism on their reservation situation for the following weeks. This was announced last night at an emergency meeting between the Minister, Mr. Moshe Kol, and senior Ministry officials, with the Hotel Association and the Tourist Agents' Union at the Tadmor Hotel, Herzliya.

Mr. Kol also asked the hoteliers to notify immediately by cable, any tourist whose accommodation or booked tours had been altered.

No pork for Netanya

NETANYA. — Mayor Oved Ben-Ami has rejected the appeal of 15 local pig-breeders, who protested to him that the Municipality was depriving them of their livelihood.

Mr. Ben-Ami, in a letter to the Merchants Association, reiterated that the sale of pork and pork by-products was illegal under municipal by-laws. The by-laws were amended in 1954 after the Supreme Court ordered the City to issue a licence to a man who wanted to sell pork.

Mr. Ben-Ami called on the Association to help "purify this city of the blight of pork." *(Itim)*

Two jailed for hash smuggling attempt

TEL AVIV. — A Givatayim man and his Canadian girlfriend were sent to jail yesterday for trying to smuggle an undisclosed amount of hashish out of Israel to Denmark.

Eliezer Kazyoff, 28, was given three years for devising the plan and persuading his girlfriend — 31-year-old Florence Fay Siegelman — to take part in it. She was sentenced to one year in jail.

The couple were picked up at Lod Airport on September 21, after airport police discovered the hashish in several false-bottomed suitcases.

TEACHERS IN BID TO HEAL SPLIT

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Secondary School Teachers Association chairman Reuven Avivram told *The Jerusalem Post* late last night, following contacts initiated by the Histadrut Teachers Union that a meeting of the Joint Teachers Headquarters would be held this evening. It will attempt to patch up the sharp differences which sprang up between the two teachers' organizations after the sudden break-up of their agreement with the Education Ministry.

(Earlier story, page 7)

THE WEATHER

FORECAST: Sharav. Local sandstorms over Negev and Sinai.
WEATHER SYNOPSIS: Low over Egypt moving eastwards, will cause dry and warm northeastly flow over this region.

	Yesterday's humidity	Yesterday's Min Max	Today's forecast
Jerusalem	23	11—22	25
Golan Heights	39	8—20	21
Nahariya	63	9—23	26
Safed	41	8—19	22
Haifa Port	76	10—25	28
Tiberias	31	9—26	30
Nazareth	—	11—24	27
Afula	22	5—26	29
Shomron	17	11—23	24
Tel Aviv	37	10—25	27
Lod Airport	21	6—28	31
Jericho	25	13—29	31
Gaza	64	10—22	28
Beersheba	13	6—27	31
Eilat	19	15—27	30
Tiran Straits	19	15—26	28

ARRIVALS

Nitzar (Commander) Shaul Rosolio, head of the Organizations Branch in National Police Headquarters, from a tour of Europe and the U.S., on a U.J.A. mission.

Mr. Simeon Baker, Consultant to New York Mayor John Lindsay on community relations and public information, on a five-day visit.

Professor Leon Feldman, chairman of the Department of Hebraic Studies, Rutgers State University of New Jersey, for a brief visit for consultations with the Hebrew University and the Jewish Agency's Department of Education and Culture.

Felix Blaska the choreographer, with his ballet company, for a week-long series of performances (by Air France)

TEL AVIV STOCKS

Foreign Trade soars ahead

Jerusalem Post Financial Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Foreign Trade continued to lead the market yesterday, with its Registered shares (3,400) soaring by 10 points and its Bearer (2,100) by nine. In the variables, these two shares rose by a further four and seven points, but there were insufficient transactions to establish a new price. The Registered closed therefore at 153, and the Bearer at 146.

In general, however, there was little interest in most shares, and the turnover was a low IL156,900, of which IL17,700 was in the variables.

The turnover in bonds was IL1,313,900, with dollar-linked falling and index-linked rising.

The black market (Lilienblum) dollar was IL3.77-78, and the investment dollar fell by two agora to stand at IL4.03 after $90,000 was offered and some $96,000 traded.

The following rose in price: Electricity (3,500), Central Trade (3,500), ELDC Bearer (6,000), and Pax (13,000), all by one; ICP (4,000) by 0.5; Anglo-Israel Investors (7,000) by two and Foreign Trade Investment (3,400) by 2.5.

The following fell: General Mortgage (5,000) by five; Binyan (3,000) by 1.5; Tefahot Ordinary (6,000) and Preferred (4,000) by 2.5 and two respectively and Dubek (2,600) by 2.5.

	28.3.71	29.3.71
LINKED TO THE DOLLAR		
6% Dead Sea Junior	204	203
5% Electric Corp. Tranche A	113	113
8% Electric Corp. Tranche B	128.1	127
LINKED to the C.o.L. INDEX (Capital & Investment)		
Absorption Loan, 65	140	141
Defence Loan, 68	106.2	106.5
SHARES		
Electric Corp. — O.	53	53
Union Bank of Israel — O.	111	111
Otzar Hit. Hayehudim — O.S.	210	210
I.D.B. Co. — O.	106	106
Gen. Mort. Bank — O.	187	187
Pal.-British Bank — O.	141	141
Israel Discount Bank — "A" O.	217	217
Mizrachi Bank Ltd. — O.	122.5	122.5
Carmel Mort. & In. Bk. — "O"	115.5	115
Bank Leumi — "A" O.S.	274	274
Mg. & In. Bk. for Bldg.—"D" O.	103.5	102
Bank Hapoalim — 10% P.O.	194	194
Industrial Dev. Bk. — 8% P.O.	86	86
Develop. & Mort. Bank — O.T.	178.5	178.5
Housing Mort. Bank — O.	129.5	129.5
G.U.S.-Rassco — O.	77	77
Isr. Cent. Tr. & Inv.	104	104
Hasneh Ins. Co. — O.	116.5	116.5
Wolfson, Clore, Mayer—O. IL1	85	85
Wolfson, Clore, Mayer—O. IL10	45	45.5
Tefahot Isr. Mor. Bank 5% P.O.	142	140
Tefahot Isr. Mortg. Bank — O.	142.5	140
Sahar — "C" O.	90	91.5
Azorim — O.	90	90
Africa-Pal. Investment—O. IL10	135.5	135
Israel Land Dev. Co.—O. Reg.	82.5	82
Isr. Land Dev. Co.—60/61 O.T.	82.5	83.5
I.C.P. Israel Citrus Plant — O.	52.5	54
Property & Build. Corp. O.	104.5	104
Mehadrin	116	116
Pri Or Ltd.	128.5	135
Anglo-Israel Investors — O.	88	90
Rassco — 8% P.O.T.	41	41
Rassco — O	29	29
Isras	52.5	52.5
Neot Aviv — O.	31	31
Alliance — B.T.	759	753
"Elco" Isr. E.L.-Mech In.—O.T.	89	88.5
"Argaman" — 8% P.O.T.	97	96.5
"Ata" — "C" O.	96.5	96.5
Motor House — O.	50.5	50.5
Dubek — 8% P.O.T.	149	146.5
Cold Stor. & Supp. Co.—O. IL10	88.5	89
Elect. Wire & Cable Co. — O.	99	100
Solel Boneh — 10% "A" P.O.	90	90
Lighterage Supply Co. — O.	89	88.5
Chemicals & Phosphates — O.	70.5	70.5
Lewin Epstein — 8% P.O.T.	60	61
Moller Textile — O.	115.5	115.5
Nechushtan — 8% P.O.T.	112.5	112.5
Teva — O.T.	385	385
Phonecia 8% P.O.T.	59	59
Paper Mills — O.	194	194.5
Assis "B" — O.	141.5	141.5
Shemen 8% — P.O.T.	79	79
"Tasi" Man. of Plywood — O.	128	128
Delek "C" — O.	107	107.5
Elgar — O.	55	55
Ellern Invest. Co. — O.	128	128
Bank Hapoalim Inv. — O.	118	118
Export Bank Inv. Co. — O.	38	38
Paz Investment Develop. — O.	66.5	67.5
Ampa Investment — O.	74	72.5
Discount Bk. Inv. Cor. — O.T.	138	138
Japhet Bank Invest. Cor. — O.	67.5	71.5
Bank Leumi Invest. C. — O.	160	159
Foreign Trade Invest. C.— O	48.5	48
Misrahi Inv. Corp. — O.	112	112
Hapoel Hamizrahi Inv. Co. — O.	42.5	42.5
"Piryon" Inv. Trust — "B" Sh.	49.5	49.5
Clal Isr. Inv. Co. — O.	91	91
Naphtha — O.T.	50	50.5
Lapidoth — O.	67.5	66.5

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SLOW DAY; DJIA STATIC

The Dow Jones Industrial Average hovered after its opening around its Friday closing figure, and trading was slow.

Institutions are completing portfolio switching for first quarter reports — tending to move the market laterally — while small investors are either staying on the sidelines or selling.

The number of shares traded amounted to 13,660,000 as advancing issues led those declining 711 to 693. The DJIA was even and closed at 903.48.

Alcoa	64⅝	Ekodak	78	Litton Ind.	29¾	RCA	35⅝
Amer. Can	44¼	Fair Cam.	41⅞	Loew's	47¼	Reynolds T.	66⅝
Amer. Mot.	6⅞	Fair Hill.	10¼	Marcor	33⅝	Sears Roe	83⅞
Ampex	4⅜	Fd.Nt. Mrtg.	67⅜	Mc Crory	27	Solit. Dev.	16¼
Amer.R & D	53⅜	1st Ch. Fin.	49⅛	McCul. Oil	50⅛	Sperry Rnd.	35¼
Amer. T & T	49	Ford Mot.	60⅝	McDon-D	35¼	Stonj	78
Anaconda	21⅞	Gen. Bat.	31	Miles Lab.	54⅜	Syntex	50⅝
Avco	15¼	Gen. Elec.	112	Minn. MM	111⅞	Teledyne	30⅞
Beth. Stl.	21⅞	G. Fs. Corp.	34⅛	Monsan.	39⅞	Telex Corp.	19⅜
Boeing Co.	19⅛	Gen. Instr.	23¼	Motorola	68⅛	Texas Instr.	101⅛
Bourns Inc.	15⅝	Gen. Mot.	83½	Murphy Ind.	14⅝	Time Inc.	51
Brunswick	28⅛	Gillette	43⅝	Natomas	57⅞	Transwair	19⅛
Borroughs	121¾	Glen Alden	9⅝	Occ. Pet. C.	19	U.N.Carbide	45⅝
Celanese	69⅞	W.R. Grace	34	Olin Corp.	22¼	US Smelting	29⅞
Chrysler	26¾	G. W. Fin.	26⅞	Otis Elev.	43	US Steel	33
Coca-Cola	94¾	Homest. Min	28½	Pac. Petr.	30	Westg. El.	81¾
Comsat	71⅝	IBM	356½	Panam WA.	17¾	Witco Chem	28
Cont. Data	62½	Int. Paper	36⅞	Penn-Centrl.	6⅛	Woolworth	50½
Ct. Wright	13	Int. T & T	59	Pennzoil Un.	31⅝	Xerox Co.	104⅛
Dow Chem	87⅛	Itek Corp.	44⅝	Phil. Petro.	31⅝	Zenith Rad	45¼
Dupont	139¾	Lilly & Co.	117⅞	Polaroid	92¼		
East. Adrns.	21¼	Ling T. Vght	13⅛	Raytheon C.	40		

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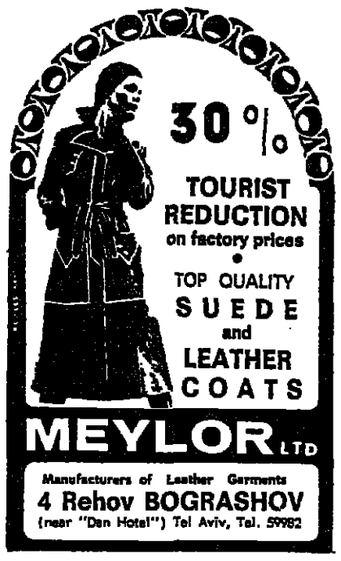
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